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Director, BSFW, Washington, D. C. (RF)

March 21, 1972

Acting Regional Director

Needles Wilderness Proposal, Havasu NWR

We understand that our Needles Wilderness Proposal is being held pending comment on the proposal by the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company. In response to a verbal request from the Division of Refuges, the attached letter was sent to the president of the company. A copy of Mr. Rodger's response is also attached. No comment upon the wilderness proposal was included. In view of the stated intent to retain subsurface mineral rights, a decision on the wilderness proposal must now be made.

We feel that the lands involved are under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, in that he does control occupancy and use to the 7,417 acres in question, as defined in the Solicitor's opinion of November 5, 1971. This jurisdiction is subject to certain qualifications. The Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company has retained the right to prospect for and develop any mineral deposit. The company also has reserved the right to construct surface facilities to develop any such deposit. The Division of Realty has reviewed the reservations held by the Company, see attached memo, and has determined that the Company can construct any facility to recover a mineral deposit including roadways and surface structures.

With the pattern of mineral reservations, alternate sections throughout the proposal, designation of a wilderness area outside of the subject lands is not practical. The small unit on the California side of the Colorado River would not make a suitable wilderness in itself.

It is possible that contact by someone in the Secretary's office could influence the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company to reconsider its position on the mineral reservations. I would suggest that such a contact would be appropriate, considering the truly unique and outstanding wilderness qualities of the proposal.

If the position taken by the company is final and closed to further negotiation, we recommend that the Needles wilderness package be rewritten as a nonproposal.

This action will result in considerable comment and pressure from the conservation groups and individuals who supported wilderness designation, particularly the Wilderness Society and the Sierra Club. Despite this, we feel that a nonproposal is the only reasonable recommendation that can be made concerning the Needles Wilderness Study.

7s/William M. White

Regional Supervisor Division of Realty March 13, 1972

Regional Supervisor Division of Wildlife Refuges

Santa Fe Mineral Reservation - Needles Wilderness Proposal

We have been corresponding with the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company concerning their mineral reservations on 7,417 acres within the Needles Wilderness Proposal. I understand that your Division has contacted the BLM office in Phoenix concerning these same mineral reservations.

I would appreciate your comments as to what rights the Santa Fe Company actually holds on the subject lands. We understand that the reservation of minerals includes, (1) the right to purchase surface lands to permit development of any mineral resource, and (2) the right to construct roadways, railroad ways and water facilities to support mineral development. Your comments concerning these "rights" on the subject lands would be of particular value to our evaluation of the Needles Wilderness Proposal.

Marcus C. Nelson

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From:

To:

Chief, Branch of Lands

Subject:

Memorandum

Land Status -- Your memorandum of February 29, 1972 Biologic

P. O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103

Reference: LA-Wilderness Areas Arizona-Havasu

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However, our primary concern was with the "right to repurchase" in the reservations and with the reassurance contained in the third paragraph of the Railroad's letter of October 3, 1966, we determined the reservations were administratively acceptable as to lands being reconveyed which would become public domain.

We have not set up procedures for eliminating right-of-way reservations as outlined in the second paragraph of the letter of October 3, 1966.

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FROM : Regional Supervisor, Division of Realty

BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES & WILDLIFE Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103

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DATE: July 22, 1969

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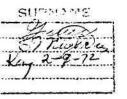
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February 9, 1972

Mr. T. H. Rodgers, President Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company 80 E. Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Mr. Rodgers:

We have been communicating with your company concerning our wilderness study of the Havasu National Wildlife Refuge for the past 2-1/2 years. In the meeting on July 8, 1969, between members of our Bureau staff, a representative of the Solicitor's Office, and representatives of the Santa Fe Company, it was established that a mineral examination of the wilderness study area would be made by your company. Unfortunately, this examination could not be made prior to the public hearing on the wilderness proposal, conducted on December 10 and 11, 1971.

Your office was notified of the above public hearing, and while Mr. D. J. Walsh attended the hearing held in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, no expression of your company's position was made.

Recommendations are now being prepared for submission to Congress and we feel that a statement representing the position of your company concerning wilderness should be included. We have recommended wilderness designation for the study area and would like your support for this proposal. I would like to invite your attention to the proposal and request that you submit a statement, to be included with the proposal, indicating your support or objection to wilderness designation and whether your company will negotiate for disposal of the subsurface mineral rights within the proposal. An early response would be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(SGD) W. O. WELDOM, ID.

Regional Director

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Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company

OFFICE OF LAND COMMISSIONER

4549 Produce Plaza Los Angeles, California 90058

D. J. WALSH

November 10, 1970

U. S. Dept. of Interior

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Mr. Robert F. Stephens
Acting Regional Director
U. S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife
P. O. Box 1306
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103

Dear Mr. Stephens:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 5, 1970 relative to a mineral examination of Santa Fe Pacific lands within the proposed Havasu National Wildlife Refuge.

Mr. Crutchfield is not only our Chief Geologist, but represents our complete geological staff and in view of several pending matters which we deemed to have priority at the moment, we cannot assure you that Mr. Crutchfield will be available in the immediate future for a field investigation.

We will, however, keep your project in mind for as early attention as possible.

Yours very truly,

cc To yount

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November 5, 1970

Mr. T. H. Rogers, Land Commissioner Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company 4549 Produce Plaza Los Angeles, California 90058

Dear Mr. Rogers:

You will recall the meeting held at your office on July 8, 1989, with members of our Bureau staff and the Solicitor's office concerning the wilderness study of the Havasu National Wildlife Refuge. It was established at this time that a mineral examination of the wilderness study area would be made in the fall by your company. This would be beneficial to you and our Bureau in order to discuss possible options dealing with your mineral holdings on the refuge wilderness study prior to our required public hearing.

We understand in a phone discussion with Chief Geologist Crutchfield on November 4, that needed aerial photo interpretation is delayed and a definite date to meet our field wilderness specialists on the ground cannot be set for the present.

We are required to submit a "Washington Package" containing all pertinent study material and recommendations to the Director not less than 120 days prior to the public hearing. Past experience in securing published material such as the wilderness brochure indicates that more than this is frequently needed.

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Sincerely yours,

/S/ Robert F. Stephens

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July 16, 1969

MEMORANDUM

TO : Field Solicitor, Albuquerque

FROM : Attorney-Advisor, Albuquerque

SUBJECT: Trip Report - July 7-9, 1969 - Los Angeles, Calif.

At the request of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, and at your direction, I traveled to Los Angeles, California, to attend a pre-arranged meeting with officials of the Santa Fe Pacific Railway Company and to attend to other matters of the Bureau while in the area.

I departed Albuquerque on July 7 at 2:30 p.m. via commercial airlines in company with Mr. T.M. Conrardy, Regional Supervisor of the Division of Realty, and Mr. Jerald J. Wilson of the Division of Refuges, both of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. We arrived in Los Angeles at approximately 5:30 p.m. that same day and were joined that evening by Mr. Patrick L. O'Halloran, Refuge Manager-Wilderness Specialist, Yuma, Arizona.

The following day, July 8, at 10:00 a.m., the above-mentioned persons met with T.H. Rogers, Land Commissioner, Santa Fe Pacific Railway Company and P.J. Walsh, Chanslor-Western Oil and Development Company at their offices at 4549 Produce Plaza, Los Angeles, California. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint the Railway Company with the fact that there is a proposal under study to designate a portion of the Havasu Refuge a Wilderness Area, and since the Railroad owns the minerals to approximately 10-1/2 sections of the lands proposed for inclusion, it was felt desirable to determine what their attitude toward such a proposal might be, and also to obtain from them information concerning the history of mineral activity in the area.

An explanation of the Wilderness Act was given to the Railroad people and a copy of the Act left for their further study. In discussing the Wilderness Act and the possible effect on the mineral ownership of the Railroad if the proposed area is designated under the Act, the following points were covered:

- Could the Government purchase the mineral rights of the Railroad - no Federal funds presently available for such purpose;
- Would the railroad consider donating their mineral interest in the proposed Wilderness Area - such possibility exists, but would have to be considered at a higher level;
- 3. Would the Railroad consider subordinating their mineral interest to the Wilderness use of the area this might be agreeable to the Railroad if in so doing they were assurred of the right of access to their areas and if feasible, the right to explore and develop, subject to reasonable control by the Government in preserving the area as a wilderness.

Messrs. Rogers and Walsh indicated that they felt the Railroad was willing to cooperate in considering the Wilderness proposal, and would immediately contact their geologist who is located in Albuquerque for a mineral report on the area. Mr. O'Halloran offerred to give assistance to the geologist if he found it necessary to come onto the area. Mr. Conrardy will contact the geologist upon return to Albuquerque. The mineral lands in question are not currently under lease.

After the Railroad people in Los Angeles receive the mineral report from their geologist, they will make recommendations to their people in Chicago who are at the policy-making level and who will ultimately make any decision on the matter.

Upon concluding our business with the Santa Fe people, Mr. Conrardy and I, after a brief visit at the office of the Regional Solicitor, proceeded to the office of the Metropolitan Water District where we met with Mr. M.L. Sien of their right-of-way division. Mr. Sien advised that when the lands which now comprise part of the Havasu Refuge were purchased by the District, title was acquired only to the bank of the Colorado River. No attempt was made to acquire the river bed. This was substantiated by the description in one of the old conveyances which he furnished for our examination. This information relates to a question raised recently as to the jurisdiction of the Bureau to regulate water skiing on the River.

The following day, July 9, at 9:30 a.m., Mr. Conrardy and I met with Mr. E.O. Churchill, General Manager of Minerals for the Union Pacific Railroad. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss with Mr. Churchill the proposal by the Bureau to acquire lands owned by the Union Pacific within the Seedskadee Refuge in Wyoming. Although the negotiation for the acquisition of these lands was with the Union Pacific offices in Omaha, Nebraska who are responsible for the administration of Union Pacific-owned Railroad lands, the proposal had been referred to Mr. Churchill inasmuch as the acquisition would be subject to a mineral reservation by the Railroad company.

Mr. Churchill advised that he had recently written to the Railroad offices in Omaha advising that after reviewing the proposed acquisition, it was their recommendation that, first of all they would rather not have the Union Pacific lands included within the proposed refuge, but that if provision were made in a sale to provide for full exploration and development of the minerals, his office would have no particular objection. This letter apparently was written some time in June and the Bureau has not yet been contacted by the Omaha office.

In an effort to lay to rest some of the fears which the Union Pacific apparently has concerning mineral development when surface rights have been sold to the United States, Mr. Conrardy related to Mr. Churchill his experience in other areas where mineral rights were developed on existing refuges, and that the two operations were quite compatible. This

seemed to reassure Mr. Churchill, but I am sure that any purchase agreement will have to clearly set forth the retained rights of the Railroad company to explore and develop retained minerals.

Upon concluding our meeting with Mr. Churchill, my business in Los Angeles was completed and I departed that city at 3:05 p.m., arriving back in Albuquerque at 6:30 p.m. that same day.

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Attorney-Advisor

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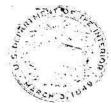
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The meeting closed with the understanding that the company would call this matter to its higher officials and would also request a mineral investigation by its geologist.

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Memorandum

To

: Ted Conrady, Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife

Albuquerque, New Mexico

From

Glendon E. Collins, Manager, Land Office

Subject: Negotiations with the Santa Fe Railroad Company

Attached are copies of correspondence which reflect our negotiations with the Santa Fe Railroad Company regarding the reservations in deeds from the Santa Fe Railroad Company. They may be of help to you in your negotiations with the Railroad.

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June 4, 1969

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Ma. P. A. Rodgers, Lord Commissioner Santa De Pacific Company 4509 Produce Plana Los Angeles, California 90058

Dear Par. Redgers:

This Bureau is considering a major proposal involving a portion of our Havanu Mational Wildlife Refuge. Your company of the same of the crea under consideration. A copy of our map of the Befuge, showing in color your lands of concern, is attached.

As conveyed to you by Mr. Converty in yeaterday's telephone call, representatives of this office would like to discuss this notice what you and will as presently understood arrange to neet with you in your office at 10 s.m., July 8. Chould it become necessary for you to change this date, please contact Mr. Convary and we will adjust our schools accordingly.

Sircorely yours,

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William T. Kruews Regional Director

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Copy to: Field Solicitor, Albuquerque w/o attachment

Attn: Mr. Elmer Nitzschke

Division of Refuges w/map attachment

Regional Supervisor Division of Wildlife Refuges

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May 19, 1969 LA-Arizona Havasu NWR Wilderness Study

Ragional Supervisor Division of Realty

Wilderness Study Land Status

Your memorandum of May 7 solicited our comments regarding certain aspects of land status which have been uncovered by your study team. Comments follow in the order presented in your memorandum.

1. Santa Fe Railway Mineral Rights:

We see little hope of obtaining any type of a subordination agreement from Santa Fe regarding these minerals, whatever their value may be at present. Our experience with railroad companies is that economics is their first concern and they are highly unlikely to jeopardize a possible return even though it might be many years away. Mr. Nitzschke advises that the Wilderness Area Study process provides for a mineral survey to be made by Geological Survey. Perhaps if this were done it would provide a basis on which better to decide what course of action to take, although such a survey would in no way be binding on the Santa Fe Railway.

2. Private Lands:

No funds are available for acquisition of any private lands within the Havasu Refuge.

3. Private Mineral Rights:

As you point out, this is a very confusing picture. We have no data in our office to support or refute the claims made. We doubt that all claims have been identified. The only method by which mineral claims can be wiped out is through an invalidation procedure by BLM and even then some claims may escape invalidation. We see no point in approaching BLM with this matter until it is decided if this definitely is to be a wilderness area. Invalidation is a long and costly process with our Bureau footing the bill.

4. General:

In further discussion with Mr. Mitzschke, it seems as though the first step should be for the Bureau to decide if this area is or is not to be recommended as a wilderness area using biological

and esthetic standards and then proceed in the direction indicated. Admittedly, we are not cognizant of the procedural steps involved, but your memorandum seems to be asking for action in advance of decisions which would determine the kind of action and if any should be taken.

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T. M. Conrardy

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Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company

OFFICE OF LAND COMMISSIONER

4549 Produce Plaza Los Angeles, California 90053

October 3, 1966

Mohave County, Arizona Area

U. S. Department of the Interior

L-2-V-STP M-9-SFP

Mr. Richard Petrie
District Manager
U. S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
3041 Federal Building
Phoenix, Arizona 85025

Dear Mr. Petrie:

Your PDO

This refers to correspondence ending with your letter of July 29, 1966, relative to the meaning and intent of reservation in Santa Pe Pacific Railroad Company deeds.

In connection with working out procedures whereby the reilroad reservation could be released only on exchanges which were
consummated, it has occurred to us that perhaps an arrangement could
be made by which Santa Fe Pacific would deliver to a title company a
release of its reilroad reservation with instructions to place of
record if the exchange was consummated. With this release in its
hands, the title company would be in a position to issue a policy of
title insurance showing the title to be clear, if it was otherwise
clear. This would probably comply with existing Government regulations requiring the applicant to submit a warranty deed to the United
States, together with the satisfactory evidence of title. As part
of the same transaction, there could be the placing of a further railroad reservation on the selected lands when they are acquired from
the United States.

With respect to the matter set forth in Paragraph 5 of your letter of July 29, it is our understanding that an appropriation under the mineral reservation does not allow the appropriator phone after to use the lands for any purpose. The form of the mineral

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reservation is simply that the Santa Te Pacific recerves all oil, gas, each and minerals whitesoever in the lands, together with the right to use so much of the surface of the lands as is necessary and convenient for the working of any mines or wells which may be operated on the lands. This would be implied anymay, but there is the further provision that Santa Te Pacific, its successors or assigns, will pay a fixed price per acre for the surface of all lands "appropriated under this exception and reservation" equal to the average price paid for the lands. It is our understanding that only so long as the surface of the land is appropriated under the mineral reservation can it be used, and if the mineral runs out there can be no further appropriation under the mineral reservation, and the surface of the land would be free for the use of the grantee in the deed.

If you have any further or different ideas, please advise.

Very truly yours,

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Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company office of LAND COMMISSIONER

4549 Produce Plaza Los Angeles, California 93358

T. H. RODGERS

July 8, 1966

Mohave County, Arizona Area

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Mr. Richard Petrie
District Manager
U. S. Department of the Interior
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Phoenix, Arisona 85025

Dear Mr. Petrie:

Your PDO 21:10.12

This refers to correspondence ending with your letter of June 22, 1966, relative to the classification of certain public lands in the vicinity of Kingman, Arisona, and the problems presented in land exchanges because of the reserved rights of the Santa Parallic Railroad Company.

We have presented the problems outlined in your letter of April 18, 1966, to our various people who are familiar with such matters and particularly to our Mr. C. D. Chaim of Amerillo, Demas, who has had several years' experience in assisting both the land owners and the Europe of Land Management in enchange of property. The Santa Fe Pacific has been most cooperative in these matters to date and has gone to a great deal of work only to find that in the vest majority of cases exchanges are declined and our efforts are for naught.

We think that perhaps there is a misunderstanding among your people with respect to the difference between the appropriation provision in our mineral reservation from the appropriation provision in the so-called railroad reservation. The mineral reservation does not call for a conveyance of the appropriated lands and the payment provision thus might be termed merely a fixed price for surface

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damages. In the usual situation in the absence of such a payment provision, Santa Te Pacific would have the free right to use the surface to extract its minerals. The appropriation for future rail-road purposes is a different matter extirely as it calls for a conveyance of the land so appropriated.

Subject to the approval of our parent company, The Atchicon, Topoka and Santa To Railway Company, we would have no objection to the release of the railroad reservation if an exchange with the Government actually is to be consummated. As we understand it, once the lands become public lands the Railway Company under proper Government filing would be able to acquire easement rights for railroad purposes as distinguished from the right to acquire actual title as it now has.

Notwithstending the fact that our emperience to date in trying to negotiate these emchanges has been anything but satisfactory,
please be assured that we will continue our efforts to cooperate in
the emchange of properties by giving serious consideration to the
release of the so-called railroad reservation in each particular case
as it cames to our attention. Each case, however, must be considered
on its merits and we are not agreeable to any wholesale release of
such railroad reservation nor are we agreeable to releasing any of our
mineral reservations.

Very truly yours,

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Hovember 5, 1970

Dr. T. H. Rogers, Lend Commissioner Santa Fe Pacific Reffered Company 4000 Produce Class Las Armies, California 60 90

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FROM : Regional Supervisor, Division of Realty

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We were advised that the company would request its chief geologist stationed in Albuquerque to make an examination of the area as to its mineral possibilities. This would probably be sometime in the fall. We offered to furnish four-wheel drive transportation and that Mr. O'Halloran, who is thoroughly familiar with the area, would accompany the geologist.



The meeting closed with the understanding that the company would call this matter to its higher officials and would also request a mineral investigation by its geologist.

I have today located and identified the company's geologist, who is William H. Crutchfield, Chief Geologist, Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company, Room 1219 Simms Building, Telephone No. 243-7246. Mr. Crutchfield was in the field today and will be back tomorrow. I intend to call on him.

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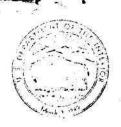
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July 16, 1969

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TO : Field Solicitor, Albagaerque

PRON : Attorney-Advisor, Albuquerque

SUDJECT: Trip Report - July 7-9, 1989 - Los Angeles, Calif.

At the request of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Mildlife, and at your direction, I traveled to Los Angeles, California, to attend a pre-arranged meeting with officials of the Santa We Pacific Bullway Company and to attend to other matters of the bureau while in the area.

I departed Albuquerque on July 7 at 2:30 p.m. via communcial airlines in company with in. T.M. Conmandy, Regional Supervisor of the Division of Realty, and Mr. Jorald J. Vilson of the Division of Refuges, both of the Dureau of Sport Fisheries and Willife. We arrived in Los Angeles at approximately 5:30 p.D. that sawe day and were joined that evening by Ur. Paurick B. O'Malloran, Refuge Wanger-Wilderness Specialist, Yura, Arizona.

The following day, July 8, at 10:00 e.m., the above-mentioned persons met with T.G. Rogers, Land Commissioner, Santa We Pacific Railway Company and P.J. Walsh, Chanslor-Western Oit and Development Company at their offices at 4540 Produce Plaza, Los Angeles, California. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint the Railway Company with the fact that there is a proposal under study to designate a portion of the mayosu Refuge a Hilderness Area, and since the Railroad owns the miserals to approximately 1J-1/2 sections of the lands proposed for inclusion, it was felt desirable to determine what their attitude toward such a proposal night be, and also to obtain from them information concerning the history of mineral activity in the area.

An explanation of the Wilderness Act was given to the Beilroad people and a copy of the Act left for their further study. In discussing the Wilderness Act and the possible effect on the mineral ownership of the Railroad if the proposed area is designated under the Act, the following points were covered:

- Could the Government purchase the mineral rights of the Railroad - no Federal funds presently available for such purpose;
- Would the railroad consider donating their mineral interest in the proposed Wilderness Area - such possibility exists, but would have to be considered at a higher level;
- 3. Would the Railroad consider subordinating their rineral interest to the Wilderness use of the area this might be agreeable to the Railroad if in so doing they were assured of the right of access to their areas and if feasible, the right to explore and develop, subject to reasonable control by the Government in preserving the area as a wilderness.

Messrs. Rogers and Walsh indicated that they felt the Railroad was willing to cooperate in considering the Wilderness proposal, and would immediately contact their geologist who is located in Albuquerque for a mineral report on the area. Mr. O'Halloran offerred to give assistance to the geologist if he found it necessary to come onto the area. Mr. Conrardy will contact the geologist upon return to Albuquerque. The mineral lands in question are not currently under lease.

After the Railroad people in Los Angeles receive the mineral report from their geologist, they will make recommendations to their people in Chicago who are at the policy-making level and who will ultimately make any decision on the matter.

Upon concluding our business with the Santa Te people, Mr. Conrardy and I, after a brief visit at the office of the Regional Solicitor, proceeded to the office of the Netro-politan Water District where we met with Mr. M.L. Sien of their right-of-way division. Mr. Sien advised that when the lands which now comprise part of the Navasu Refuge were purchased by the District, title was acquired only to the bank of the Colorado River. No attempt was made to acquire the river bed. This was substantiated by the description in one of the old conveyances which he furnished for our examination. This information relates to a question raised recently as to the jurisdiction of the bureau to regulate water skiing on the River.

I met with Mr. M.O. Churchill, General Manager of Minerals for the Union Pacific Railroad. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss with Mr. Churchill the proposal by the Dureau to acquire lands owned by the Union Pacific within the Seedskadee Refuge in Uyoming. Although the negotiation for the acquisition of these lands was with the Union Pacific offices in Omaha, Nebraska who are responsible for the administration of Union Pacific-owned Railroad lands, the proposal had been referred to Mr. Churchill inasmuch as the acquisition would be subject to a mineral reservation by the Railroad company.

Ar. Churchill advised that he had recently written to the Railread offices in Omaha advising that after reviewing the proposed acquisition, it was their recommendation that, first of all they would rather not have the Union Pacific lends included within the proposed refuge, but that if provision were made in a sale to provide for full exploration and development of the minerals, his office would have no particular objection. This letter apparently was written some time in June and the Bureau has not yet been contacted by the Omaha office.

In an effort to lay to rest some of the fears which the Union Pacific apparently has concerning mineral development when surface rights have been sold to the United States, Mr. Conrerdy related to Mr. Chutchill his experience in other areas where mineral rights were developed on existing refuges, and that the two operations were quite compatible. This

seemed to reassure Fr. Courchill, but I am sure that may purchase agreement will have to clearly set forth the retained rights of the Railroad company to explore and develop retained minerals.

Upon concluding our meeting with Mr. Churchill, my business in Los Angeles was completed and I apparted that city at 3:00 p.m., arriving back in Albuquerque at 6:30 p.m. that same day.

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Minor T. Nitzschke, Jr. Attorney-Advisor

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cc: Division of Refuces, Attn: Mr. Jerald J. Wilson Mr. Patrick L. O'Halloran, Refuge Manager-Wilderness Specialist, Yuma, Arizona 7-28-69 ahk



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Memorandum

To

: Ted Conrady, Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife

Albuquerque, New Mexico

From

Glendon E. Collins, Manager, Land Office

Subject: Negotiations with the Santa Fe Railroad Company

Attached are copies of correspondence which reflect our negotiations with the Santa Fe Railroad Company regarding the reservations in deeds from the Santa Fe Railroad Company. They may be of help to you in your negotiations with the Railroad.

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October 3, 1966

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Mr. Richard Petrie
District Manager
U. S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
30th Federal Building
Phoenix, Arizona 85025

Dear Mr. Petrie:

Your PDO

This refers to correspondence ending with your letter of July 29, 1966, relative to the meaning and intent of reservation in Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company decas.

In connection with working out procedures whereby the reliroad reservation could be released only on exchanges which were
consummeted, it has occurred to us that perhaps an arrangement could
be made by which Santa Te Pacific would deliver to a title company a
release of its reilread reservation with instructions to place of
record if the exchange was consummeted. With this release in its
hends, the title company would be in a position to issue a policy of
title insurance showing the title to be clear, if it was otherwise
clear. This would probably comply with existing Government regulations requiring the applicant to submit a warranty dead to the United
States, together with the ratiofactory evidence of title. As part
of the same transaction, there could be the placing of a further railread reservation on the selected lands then they are acquired from
the United States.

With respect to the motter set forth in Paragraph 5 of your letter of July 29, it is our understanding that an engropriation under the mineral reservation does not allow the appropriator thereafter to use the lands for any purpose. The form of the mineral

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reservation is simply that the Santa To Facific reserves all oil, gas, ecal and minerals whatsoever in the lands, together with the right to use so much of the surface of the lands as is necessary and convenient for the working of any mines or wells which may be operated on the lands. This would be implied anymay, but there is the further provision that Santa Pe Pacific, its successors or assigns, will pay a fixed price per acre for the surface of all lands "appropriated under this encyption and reservation" equal to the average price paid for the lands. It is our understanding that only so long as the surface of the land is appropriated under the mineral reservation can it be used, and if the mineral runs out there can be no further appropriation under the mineral reservation, and the surface of the land would be free for the use of the grantee in the deed.

If you have any further or different ideas, please advise.

Very truly yours,

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Thank you again for your ecoperation in these matters.

Simpurely yours,

District Manager

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Mr. Richard Petrie
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Dear Mr. Petrie:

Your PDO 2410.12

This refers to correspondence ending with your letter of June 22, 1966, relative to the classification of certain public lands in the vicinity of Kingson, Arisona, and the problems presented in land exchanges because of the reserved rights of the Santa Fa Pacific Railroad Company.

We have presented the problems outlined in your letter of April 18, 1966, to our various people who are familiar with such matters and particularly to our Mr. C. D. Cheim of Amerillo, Cemas, who has had several years' experience in assisting both the land owners and the Europe of Land Minagement in eachenge of property. The Santa Fo Pacific has been most cooperative in these matters to date and has gone to a great deal of work only to find that in the vast majority of cases exchanges are declined and our efforts are for naught.

We think that perhaps there is a misunderstanding emong your people with respect to the difference between the appropriation provision in our mineral reservation from the appropriation provision in the so-called railroad reservation. The mineral reservation does not call for a conveyance of the appropriated lands and the payment provision thus might be termed merely a fixed price for surface

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demages. In the usual cituation in the absence of such a payment provision, Santa Te Pacific would have the free right to use the surface to extract its minerals. The appropriation for future rail-road purposes is a different matter entirely as it calls for a conveyance of the land so appropriated.

Subject to the approval of our parent company, The Atchicon, Topeka and Santa To Railway Company, we would have no objection to the release of the railread reservation if an emchange with the Government actually is to be consummind. As we understant it, once the lands become public lands the Analysis Company under proper Government filing would be able to acquire easement rights for railroad purposes as distinguished from the right to acquire actual title as it now has.

Notwithstending the fact that our emperience to date in trying to negotiate these exchanges has been anything but setisfactory,
please be assured that we will continue our efforts to cooperate in
the exchange of proporties by giving serious consideration to the
release of the so-called railroad reservation in each particular case
as it comes to our attention. Each case, however, must be considered
on its merits and we are not agreeable to any wholesale release of
such railroad reservation nor are we agreeable to releasing any of our
mineral reservations.

Very truly yours,

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Grantor expressly reserves and excepts all oil, gas, coal and minerals whatsoever, already found or which may hereafter be found, upon or under said lands, with the right to prospect for, mine and remove the same, and to use so much of the surface of said lands as shall be necessary and convenient for shafts, wells, tanks, pipe lines, rights of way, railroad tracks, storage purposes, and other and different structures and purposes necessary and convenience for the digging, drilling and working of any mines or wells which may be operated on said lands. Grantor or its successors or assigns, will pay to Grantee, or the legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns of Grantee, a fixed price per acre for the surface of all 'mds appropriated under this exception and reservation which price shall be equal to the average price per acre paid for all the lands above described, together with the fair value of the buildings and permanent improvements, if any, on the land the surface of which is so appropriated. If the parties cannot agree upon such fair value it shall be fixed by three appraisers, of whom each party shall appoint one and the two so appointed shall appoint the third.

This conveyance is made subject to and upon condition that in the event that Grantor, or its successors or assigns or the Atchison, Tope wa and Santa Fe Railway Company, or its successors or assigns or my railroad company of at least a majority of whose stock it owns may at any time hereafter desire to construct across the premise herein above described, any railroad tracks, telegraph and telephone lines, or other electric wire lines, oil or water pipe lines, roadways, ditches, fluxes or aqueducts or to operate on said premises gravel and ballast pits and quarries and take material therefrom for railroad purposes, the right of way for any such tracks, telegraph, telephone or other electric wire lines, pipe lines, roadways, ditches, flume and aqueducts, of sufficient width for the proper protection, maintenance and operation thereof, and the land necessary and convenient for the operation of such gravel and ballast pits and quarries and the taking of material therefrom for railroad purposes, may be appropriated by any such G apany desiring to construct such tracks, wire lines, pipe lines, roadway., ditches, flumes or aqueducts, or to operate such gravel and ballas. pits and quarries, upon such Company paying or offering to pay to Grante. or the legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns of Grantee, a fixed price per acre for the land so appropriated, which price shall be equal to the average price per acre paid for all the land above described together with the fair value of all buildings and permanent improvements constructed upon the land so appropriated, and Grantee, or the legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns of Grantes will convey to such Company such appropriated right of way upon demanand tender of payment as aforesaid.

June 4, 1969

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Hr. T. H. Polyons, Land Considerdoner Santa Fo Pacific Company hijhy Produce Plane. Los Angeles, Callfornia 90050

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Sincerely yours,

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William T. Krummes Regional Director

Attachment

Copy to: Field Solicitor, Albuquerque w/o attachment

Attn: Ir. Elmer Nitzochko

Division of Refuges w/map attachment

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Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company

C. D. OHEIM, Tax Agent

900 Polk Street Amarillo, Texas 79101 February 18, 1969

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Mr. Patrick L. O'Halloran Wilderness Specialist United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service P. O. Box 1032 Yuma, Arizona 85364

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of February 11, we enclose statement of the holdings of Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company in Mohave County, Arizona, lying within the areas you are presently investigating on the Lower Colorado River.

We have no holdings in San Bernardino County, California.

Yours truly,

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Enclosure

