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In communities ranging from Albina in NE Portland to Ruth in southwest Oregon, we have proved that national service does work. But we have not done it alone. AmeriCorps members, by providing key leadership in community service have mobilized hundreds of community volunteers to help in a wide variety of projects, ranging from community play structures to wetland restoration. Our members have given their heart and soul to create a successful model of national service this year. In so doing they have won a national award from the National Wildlife Federation plus numerous local awards from PTA's, community non-profits and neighborhood associations.

The Northwest Service Academy is fairly confident of funding coming from the Corporation from National Service. But at least one third of our work is on federal lands and we need matching federal dollars to accomplish critical habitat restoration projects. If this language stays in the FY 1996 Interior Appropriations Bill, the in-kind support ranging from our residential facility at Trout Lake, Washinton to our offices in Troutdale, Oregon will disappear. Along with it will go a wonderful opportunity to make national service part of the fabric of the Pacific Northwest.

We feel that this language in the Interior Appropriations Bill is designed to unfairly target programs in the Western States where a tremendous amount of habitat restoration work still needs to be done. Without the clear support from the USDA Forest Service, none of the partnerships that established a trusting relationship with local communities would have occurred.

We hope that you are able to share the impact of this language with Senator Hatfield. Obviously these specific fiscal needs should be balanced against other national priorities, but we truly believe AmeriCorps is a program that is cost effective not only in accomplishing much needed restoration work, but also in developing a sense of civic responsiblity in our nation's youth while providing them an opportunity to earn their education.

Sincerely,

Jon Stewart

Jon Stewart
Northwest Service Academy Director

J.Seymour:WO

Thoughts on AmeriCorps:
from Athalie "Mac" Neely,
4 Corners AmeriCorps member
Mancos Ranger District
PO Box 330
Mancos, CO 81328
303-533-7716

From Mancos Valley Resources President: A partner in 4 projects I have done.

"AmeriCorps members working in the 4 Corners area, specifically Mancos, Colorado have had a significant positive impact. Mac Neely, through the San Juan National Forest has been instrumental in coordinating a section of the Mancos Riverwalk for Outdoor Environmental Education. She was able to bring funds together with a strong volunteer effort to complete this project. Currently she is implementing a field demonstration for a Dairy Heifer Replacement Project linking farmers and ranchers in the Mancos Valley with dairymen in New Mexico.

National service provides a leadership component in small rural communities where leadership is minimal or over-taxed. I am a graduate of the University Year for ACTION, a national service program of the 70's. This community has reaped the benefits of that training as we sought and received $150,000 over the past 3 years to fund "Action Plan" projects.

Small communities in rural America need AmeriCorps.

signed, Dee Booton, MVR President.

For myself I can say that this program has benefited me a great deal. As a 74 year old member, who has worked all her life, and volunteered for the Forest Service for 8 years, you might think there was not much left to experience, but every day I learn something new. I have become a strong member in a community new to me, have been accepted and made friends which I would not have without this program, and feel that I have made a worthwhile contribution to Mancos. This is not always possible to do in a town where one lives, and makes me proud. I have met many AmeriCorps members who have made an impact on me - One even taught me how to do composting.

In doing the quarterly reports I have learned much about what others are doing, and am amazed at the scope of activities going on. Who would have ever thought about a Bed and Breakfast in a Hogan? What a great idea!
I enjoy the sharing of ideas and the comradeship. But most importantly, I am the type of person who must "get things done" - AmeriCorps allows me to do this. I am proud and happy that I can put my expertise and knowledge to work to benefit rural America, and AmeriCorps.

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To JOHN SEYMOUR:WO

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Reply text:
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Has given local gov'ts a chance to do things they could not do before the program. Program has given many rural communities a chance to attain a "can-do" attitude by our members helping with planning, ec. development. One county has NO (zero) solid waste system. Member has assisted with grant from EPA to get ball rolling towards a system. One of our counties is 6th poorest in USA. Thru recycling training and infrastructure assistance, county is NOW selling recycling materials for county income. A program called "Garbage Busters" have gone into schools and have reached 2000 children in recycling promotions. Have assisted a county (county engineer) to buy into a timber bridge where they were going to use a culvert (Americorps member an engineer). County admitted culvert would have failed. (John, yersterday in Atlanta, in Americorps workshop, we filled flip chart pages up with bullet statements like this. You need to get that from A.Pigg).

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Reply text:
From: Luana W. Kitchens:R08F03A
Date: Jun 28,95 2:48 PM
AmeriCorps is about "Getting Things Done" and I just attended a workshop put on by Region 8 Rural Development Team in Atlanta. We heard from 15 AmeriCorps members who are and have "Got Things Done" in the following areas: Tourism & Recreation; Forest Products & Utilization; Environmental Education; Community Planning; and Recycling & Waste Management. AC Member Alicia Trisler focused on enhancing the tourism and recreation opportunities in her hometown of Winnfield, LA. Arnell Patterson is assisting the City of Indianola, MS by designing and implementing a comprehensive recreation education plan which will provide youth and adults in the county a place to go and participate in structural recreational activities while receiving specific job training skills. Delton Alderman has over 12 years of experience in industrial forestry and private consulting. He put his knowledge and abilities to use reducing the effects of soil erosion during timber harvesting operations through the use of an innovative portable logging bridge, which he designed. This design will not only reduce the effects of erosion but will be much more cost effective for the Government. These are just a few of the many projects that AmeriCorps members have and are doing. If funding for this program is not given America will be the loosers. FS needs AC....

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Reply text:
From: Garth Heaton:R04F01A
Date: Jul 03,95 9:45 AM
John, I am responding to your request to tell you about our commitment to AmeriCorps. Hope my response is not to late to add to the Agency response. The AmeriCorps program on the Ashley NF will achieve many objectives for the Forest and the communities we serve. The prospects of having this program has already achieved some of those objectives, i.e., demonstrating our commitment to care for the land and serve people. Realization of the program will have far reaching consequences for northeastern Utah. Those wanting to continue their advanced education will get the chance, community ties will be strengthened, community and federal relationships and partnerships will continue to improve and develop, natural resource management will be highlighted, and benefiical products will be realized.....the most important of these products will be those associated with self-improvement of AmeriCorps members.....These members will have the opportunity to carry on with their education and give back, a hundred fold, to society their skills and knowledge over and over again. As you know, we have the opportunity in NE Utah to work with the Uinta Indian Tribe. This program will provide the opportunity for several tribal members to start and/or continue their education and use their knowledge and skills for the reservation.

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Reply text:
From: Alan Pigg:R8
Date: Jun 28,95 3:49 PM
We just finished a two and one half day workshop on the successes experienced in the FS RDT AmeriCorps. A sample of projects and successes were presented in panel format. It is hard to express the professial quality and dedication these members presented in relation to the work they are doing. They are definitly "Getting things done" and it is a bargain for the American tax payers. Most of them have done more in a short amount of time that many people can imagine. They are helping some really poor rural communities in ways that will last for many years. We had a facilited session (SWOT) analysis and the results will be typed up and sent to you and to the Corporation, but the strengths brought out are very impressiive. I just wish you had been here to hear first hand about the program. Many projects are paying off in community pride, leveraging funds, grants, training, education, and organizational assistance. If anyone reviews the success of the FS Americorps Rural Development, they will be proud of what these members are doing and say" great job- keep it up cause you just got started good."

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NorthWest Service Academy
An Americorps Program
"Learning civic responsibility by providing service to the community and the environment."

July 3, 1995

Ann Warner
Field Representative
121 S.W. Salmon
Room 1420
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Ann,

The Northwest Service Academy recently learned that the Interior Appropriations Bill, which covers the USDA Forest Service as well as the National Park Service and other bureaus within the Department of Interior, prohibits the use of funds for AmeriCorps. The House Bill language of the **FY 1996 Interior Appropriations Bill found in Section 312 in Title 111, General Provisions is "none of the funds in this Act may be used for the AmeriCorps Programs."**

As you know this would significantly affect AmeriCorps programs in the State of Oregon because almost two thirds of the land are federal lands managed by either the Department of Interior (B.L.M.) or the USDA Forest Service. It would have similar impacts on AmeriCorps programs in all states west of the Rocky Mountains where a significant portion of the lands are managed by the federal government.

In 1995 18 AmeriCorps programs, including the Northwest Service Academy, enrolled 550 citizens to work in Forest Service sponsored programs nationwide. These Members served hundreds of communities and accomplished thousands of dollars of work nationwide at 1/3 to 1/2 the cost of getting work done without AmeriCorps programs.

Indeed, as our quarterly reports show, AmeriCorps has proved a catalyst in rural communities to bring diverse groups into a working partnership for a comman purpose. AmeriCorps members have targeted the three "R's" of service by restoring native salmon runs, renewing healthy ecosystems and rebuilding local communities. And in this they gained the fourth big "R" of life long service we call "civic responsbility."

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS OPERATING EXPENSES

Appropriates $400,500,000 for National and Community Service Programs Operating Expenses as proposed by the Senate, instead of termination, or $383,500,000 if offsetting savings were found, as proposed by the House. The recommended amount is $69,500,000 below the 1995 level and $416,976,000 below the budget request.

The bill includes language eliminating grants to federal agencies. This will permit all money to be directed outside of the federal bureaucracy and should help reduce the cost per participant.

The conferees are aware of recent commitments by the Corporation to improve the management of the AmeriCorps program and reduce costs. In addition to eliminating grants to federal agencies, such actions include decreasing the reliance on federal funds by increasing the matching requirement for private funds, reminding sponsors of all prohibited activities, including lobbying and partisan political activities, improving grant reviews, and expanding efforts in program evaluation. It is the conferees intent that the appropriating and authorizing committees will carefully monitor the Corporation's activities to ensure that the agreed to reforms are carried out and to prevent any abuses in the future.

The conferees agree to include the Sense of the Congress language proposed by the Senate. This language urges the President to expeditiously nominate a Chief Financial Officer and to implement as quickly as possible the recommendations of the independent auditors to improve the financial management of the Corporation's funds. The language also urges the Corporation to submit a reprogramming proposal for up to

$3,000,000 to carry out financial management system reforms if the Chief Financial Officer determines such additional resources are needed.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Appropriates $2,000,000 for the Office of Inspector General. The conferees expect that the Inspector General will periodically report to the Congress on progress in improving the Corporation's financial management systems and in developing auditable financial statements.

RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

FROM THE RHODE ISLAND FARM SERVICE AGENCY STATE OFFICE AT 60 QUAKER LANE, SUITE 40, IN WARWICK, R.I., 02886

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OUR FAX NUMBER IS (401) 528-5206.

TO: ELIZABETH / DONNA HINES
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FROM: PATRICIA SETTES
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COMMENTS:

AS requested.

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United States Department of Agriculture
Farm Service Agency

Rhode Island FSA State Office
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May 2, 1996

The Honorable John F. Reed
100 Midway Place, Suite 5
Cranston, RI 02920

Dear Mr. Reed:

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The Honorable Senator Claiborne Pell
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State of Rhode Island State House
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10 Dorrance Street
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To: Jeff Shockey, Office of Congressman Lewis

From: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA

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As we discussed last week, now that we have an Interior Appropriations Bill, we hope we can reach a rapid agreement with Congress on starting the second year of the Forest Service AmeriCorps program, including our large and successful program on the San Bernadino National Forest. We are working on a revised reprogramming letter, but I hope we can reach an agreement to proceed even before the letter is sent.

For your information, attached are three relevant documents. Document #1 is Secretary Glickman's original reprogramming letter. Document #2 is Congressman Regula's response. Document #3 are draft responses to some of the questions raised by the Regula letter.

This week, I will be visiting existing, non-Forest Service, USDA AmeriCorps sites throughout California, including a NRCS-sponsored site in Redlands. I will attempt to meet with your district office staff while I am there.

If you have any questions, please contact Liz Jones on my staff at 690-3507. I thank you in advance for your help.

ATTACHMENT #1

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

February 16, 1996

Honorable Ralph Regula
Chairman, Subcommittee on Interior
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
B-308 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-6023

Dear Ralph:

I am writing to inform you of the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) intentions regarding the use of Forest Service (FS) funds in fiscal year (FY) 1996 for the AmeriCorps programs in the event that funding for AmeriCorps is continued and the FY 1996 Interior and Related Agencies appropriations bill (H.R. 1977), as presently adopted by the Conferees, is enacted. Section 312 of the bill prohibits the use of FS funds for AmeriCorps programs unless "appropriate reprogramming guidelines" are followed. Further, section 312 prohibits the use of such funds for AmeriCorps programs "if no funds are provided for the AmeriCorps program by the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development (VA-HUD), and Independent Agencies' fiscal year 1996 appropriations bill."

In accordance with section 312 and in anticipation of continued funding for AmeriCorps, we are giving notice to the Congress of our intent to use $9.4 million from various National Forest System (NFS) and related funds and State and Private Forestry (S&PF) funds to carry out authorized FS work projects through the AmeriCorps national service program in FY 1996.

The FS ran a Public Lands Corps in FY 1995 through which 297 AmeriCorps members on national forest land in eight States performed rehabilitation and watershed protection work, reforested fire-damaged lands, and constructed and maintained trails for hiking and horseback riding. Additionally, the members planted cuttings for riparian and wildlife restorations, maintained and rehabilitated campgrounds, made campgrounds accessible for people with disabilities, completed timber stand improvements, restored historic sites, removed and installed fences, improved wildlife habitats, and hung erosion control netting on roads.

The FS also ran a Rural Development Team in FY 1995 through which 86 AmeriCorps members in 16 States worked on projects related to areas such as running water and indoor plumbing, emergency response and prevention, and relocation of residents of flood plains. They also worked on alternative uses of natural resources, environmental education facilities, tourism promotion, water quality protection, recycling promotion, and cultural resource preservation.

FS AmeriCorps members are getting things done and providing vital services, while strengthening communities, expanding educational opportunities, and encouraging personal responsibility.

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Under current law, Federal agencies may receive limited grants from the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), which is funded by the VA-HUD and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 1995, although much of the CNCS appropriations is available not for FY 1995, but for the period September 1, 1995, through August 31, 1996. The final size of the appropriations for CNCS in the FY 1995 Appropriations Act was determined when the President signed the rescissions bill, Public Law Number 104-19. Thus, CNCS has determined that it does indeed have enough funding from the FY 1995 Appropriations Act to provide a grant to the Forest Service to match the FS's FY 1996 funding of AmeriCorps.

The FS is planning a $9.4 million AmeriCorps program for FY 1996 that provides for enrolling 470 members in 23 states. This would include 434 members in the Public Lands Corps through the NFS program and 36 members in the Rural Development Team through the S&PF program.

The FS 1996 AmeriCorps program consists of two parts. The first is a $8.9 million program to be funded with NFS and related funds. While additional funding was not provided in FY 1995 and is not expected in 1996, the FS will redirect work to the AmeriCorps program which would have been accomplished by other means. The second part is a $500,000 Rural Development Team program to be funded with S&PF funds. (See enclosure for detailed source of funds.)

The FS is using AmeriCorps as a delivery mechanism to perform authorized functions of the FS. Since AmeriCorps members perform far more work per dollar than the same work performed through routine means, the FS is able to complete a greater volume of work. After the first 6 months of operation, USDA FS AmeriCorps members performed at least $1.51 worth of service for each $1 spent on the program.

By increasing funding from non-FS partners, reducing overhead costs, and transferring AmeriCorps slots to the project type in which members earn a lower living stipend, a 1996 FS AmeriCorps program can fund more AmeriCorps members for the same level of spending.

Similar letters are being sent to Congressman Yates and Senators Byrd and Gorton.

I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

DAN GLICKMAN
Secretary

Enclosure

FY 1996 FOREST SERVICE AMERICORPS PROGRAM

The following reprogramming of FY 1996 Forest Service funds to the AmeriCorps program is requested:

	Thousands $
National Forest System and Related Funds:	
Recreation Management (NFRM)	4,076
Wilderness Management (NFWM)	419
Wildlife Habitat Management (NFWL)	784
Inland Fish Habitat Management (NFIF)	273
Anadromous Fish Habitat Management (NFAF)	387
Threatened and Endangered Sensitive Species Habitat Management (NFTE)	663
Grazing Management (NFRG)	41
Rangeland Vegetation Management (NFRV)	65
Forestland Vegetation Management (NFFV)	712
Watershed Improvement (NFSI)	71
Land Line Location (NFLL)	24
Road Maintenance (NFRD)	63
Forest Trail Construction (CNTR)	583
Brush Disposal (BDBD)	129
Cooperative Work (CWKV)	604
Subtotal	$ 8,894
Rural Development Team Program:	
Economic Action (SPEP)	500
Total, AmeriCorps Program	**$ 9,394**

Under the FY 1996 reprogramming for AmeriCorps, trail construction funds would still be used only to build trails; fish habitat management funds would only be used to manage fish habitat; recreation management funds only be used on recreation projects; watershed improvement funds would only be used on watershed work; etc. The only change would be that AmeriCorps members would perform the work rather than using other methods or allowing for a work backlog.

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ATTACHMENT #2

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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March 6, 1996

Honorable Dan Glickman
Secretary
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Washington, D.C. 20250

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This letter is in response to your letter of February 16, 1996 regarding your intentions to use $9.4 million, primarily from National Forest System (NFS) accounts, to carry out Forest Service work projects through the AmeriCorps national service program in FY 1996. As you state, funding for AmeriCorps is ~~contingent on action in both the VA-HUD~~ and Interior ~~appropriations bills.~~ As it is premature to make this request, we are not willing to approve a prospective reprogramming request.

We will be happy to consider a reprogramming request at the appropriate time, following bill passage. I am, however, concerned that you may be intending to use NFS project funds to support the AmeriCorps program.

To assist a subsequent reprogramming request, please ask the Forest Service to answer some questions regarding the use of NFS and State and Private Forestry funds for AmeriCorps:

1. What work will be done by the Americorps?
2. Does the AmeriCorps staff have the required professional expertise to do the work?
3. Who has done this type of work in the past? If contracts were used, why not continue to use competitive bids and get professional quality work with appropriate oversight?
4. Are the AmeriCorps centers appropriately located so that the priority projects are tackled for each of the many programs listed?

It is appropriate for you to seek reprogramming authority before spending NFS and State and Private Forestry funds on the AmeriCorps program. Rather than "giving notice to the Congress of our intent to use $9.4 million..." and "writing to inform you of the USDA intentions regarding the use of Forest Service funds in FY 1996 for AmeriCorps programs ...", you should request reprogramming at the appropriate time, following the published guidelines. We want to avoid another occurrence where the Forest Service expends funds on the AmeriCorps program before receiving reprogramming authority from the Committee on Appropriations. We look forward to a continued collaborative relationship between the USDA and the Appropriations Committee so that reprogramming requests can be handled in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,

Ralph Regula
Chairman
Subcommittee on Interior
and Related Agencies

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Attachment #3

DRAFT RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY CONGRESSMAN REGULA

Question 1: What work will be done by AmeriCorps?

While the delay in funding has hampered our ability to plan the final details of what service each Forest Service AmeriCorps project will provide this year, the service is likely to be similar to that provided last year.

Last year, Members in projects funded through the National Forest System performed the following service:

* Constructed, maintained, and improved 682 miles of trail.

* Achieved 2,569 acres of wildlife habitat improvement; built 133 structures to shelter or protect wildlife; built 296 nesting boxes; and constructed a threatened and endangered plant greenhouse.

* Improved 668 acres of timber stand.

* Built or completely rehabilitated 446 campground sites.

* Reforested 638 acres of land.

* Prepared 42 campsites for accessibility to people with disabilities.

* Improved 760 acres of fisheries habitat.

* Constructed 86 miles of new fence.

* Maintained 18 miles of vehicle trails to keep them free of obstructive growth and slides.

* Improved watersheds damaged by fire by cutting and planting 92,500 willows in riparian areas.

* Built I I flood fences to prevent future flooding.

* Improved Forest Service road and safety conditions ---- by "day lighting" 50 curves.

* Released 775,000 salmon fry in a fish stocking operation.

* Constructed a major visitor information center.

* Provided conservation education to 8 8,3 7 3 students K- 1 2.

Last year, Members in projects funded through State and Private Forestry performed the following service:

Arkansas - Members worked to promote alternative energy sources which are environmentally safe, to select appropriate sites for installation of dry fire hydrants, to facilitate implementation and coordination of demonstration projects for five poultry litter spreaders. They also helped to promote alternative wood products and value-added manufacturing technologies, resulting in local people obtaining job training and higher paying employment while maintaining the quality of the rural environment. Tons of industrial wood waste is now being processed into energy in the form of wood pellets. The Members also helped the Community of Holly Grove facilitate the FEMA buy out of homes in the 1 00-year flood plain.

Georgia - A Member created of Recreation Opportunity Guides for the Forests, assist in developing the series of videos entitled "America's Great Outdoors", working with the Environmental Education Coordinator to present environmental education programs and fire prevention programs, worked with the Wilderness Ranger on the Brasstown Ranger District doing trail maintenance and doing presentations to local groups on wilderness management. The Recreation opportunity Guides that the Member produced will also be of value to the thousands of Forest visitors expected to visit the Forest during the 1996 Olympics.

Kentucky - Member worked with the McCreary County Fiscal Court, primarily with the County Road Supervisor, to take help create a (91 1) emergency response system and to start a road inventory and management system for the county.

Louisiana - One Member assisted grant development for a successful application to use timber bridge technology and materials for recreation tourism project in Lake Providence LA. He continues to assist Humpheys County, MS, in their timber bridge construction efforts. Two members assisted in the first stage of the Shiitake Mushroom forestry-related project.

Mississippi- One Member helped develop a recycling program in Leflore County. One Member organized construction of an outdoor classroom and implemented a plan to improve science test scores by 25 percent. A Member worked to start a community recreation and education program.

North Carolina - One Member developed a 5-year Master Plan for the development of a Parks and Recreation Department on the Cherokee Reservation. In addition, he established a Mountain Bike Trail on the Qualla Boundary for public use and special biking events. Another Member assisted in the identification and renovation of parks and other recreational facilities which do not comply with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements.

South Carolina - Two Members worked a dry fire hydrant project improve rural fire protection, lower fire insurance rates, reduce losses from fire, and stimulate rural development. a Member worked to create a nature trail at an elementary school. One Member provide technical assistance in solid waste management and recycling to communities in Claiborne, Grainger, Hancock, Hawkins, and Union Counties.

Tennessee - One Member assisted the Shady Valley Ruritan Club (non-profit) in organizing native cranberry restoration Action plan. The purpose of the cranberry restoration project is to stimulate economic development through tourism and educate the public about the uniqueness of the native cranberry and the Shady Valley community. One Member sponsored household hazardous Waste collections held in 6 counties in July with participation increasing by 23%.

Virginia - Member researched and wrote a Tree Identification Teachers manual and completed tree identification plaques for the Marion Riverwalk. Another Member completed timber bridge design for 2 species of lumber, 3 lumber grades for each species, and 6 different bridge spans for each species and lumber grade. He also developed and received funding for designing and constructing 2 nail-laminated pedestrian timber bridges in the towns of Teasel and Marion. They also contacted over 1 00 volunteers and municipal fire departments pertaining to interest in installing dry fire hydrants.

Minnesota - Members completed major analysis of the current situation in the development of hybrid poplar as an alternative crop. Members also completed analysis and documentation of a survey of primary and secondary forest products manufacturers to determine barriers they face in engaging in more value-added production..

West Virginia - AmeriCorps Members have helped implement Hayfield-McCoy Trail System by identifying trail heads, as well as conducting inventories of service providers such as gas stations, motels, and restaurants. AmeriCorps Members also completed field work and analysis of current amounts of residues left in the forests after logging has been completed. This survey, covering the central counties of West Virginia, has been used as a template for other areas of West Virginia and surrounding states. In West Virginia, probably the most meaningful project was the Braxton County project; developing a trail system for environmental education. The project included clearing and constructing interpretive nature trails, building a large wooden foot bridge over a river, hanging bird and bat boxes, and identifying and labeling plants/trees along the way.

Colorado - Members completed draft of San Juan Skyway Corridor Management Plan, Completed conceptual master plan for a Petting Zoo, completed conceptual plan for Mangos Watch able Wildlife Wetland Park, developed GIS base map of political boundaries and wildlife corridors on the San Juan Skyway, initiated Ponderosa Pine Partnership, which allowed a timber contract to bought and delivered to Montezuma County (first time in history this has occurred), and completed the Mangos Riverwalk, which received Governor Roamer's Smart Growth and Development Award for 1995.

Utah - Members completed a site inventory of 23 sites for inclusion in the Trail of the Ancients Scenic Byway, completed signing project for Scenic Byways project in San Juan County, completed Urban Forestry project in Moab and in Huntington, and completed work with College of Eastern Utah Prehistoric Museum on sorting and cataloging artifacts collected in 1987.

New Mexico - Member worked with the non-profit Castile Arts and Crafts Guild to **find** work for people who were unemployed because of the closure of a lumber mill, AmeriCorps provided technical assistance to develop a plan for the second year of operation for the Sangria De Crista Wood Workers. Working with Carson National Forest Engineer, AmeriCorps helped the people of the village of Velocities figure out how to improve their situation of a contaminated and insufficient water supply. AmeriCorps worked with the non-profit organization Gannets Del Vale and La Madeira Cooperative to develop a long range plan for economic development in the village of Velocities, using forest products and locally produced arts and crafts. In addition, because of the efforts of AmeriCorps, the 2,000 residents of the village of El Rico is one year closer to having safe drinking water. In Coyote, AmeriCorps is assisting the Volunteer Fire Department in locating a building to house the fire engine and to serve as a fire house. Trees in Taos County: AmeriCorps is also assisting the development of a group who will provide a long range plan for tree planting in Taos County.

Arizona -Members assisted distressed Arizona communities to retain or expand businesses. AmeriCorps Members implemented the Econ DB, an economic data base profile, in 8 communities. Area Developers as well as the Arizona Department of Commerce's National Marketing Team will use the Econ DB. Public and private enterprises alike consider the Econ DB beneficial in attracting, developing and retaining businesses. Members also assisted multi-community action teams to have the Four Comers Heritage Council adopt the "Trail of Many Tracks" into the Four Comers Heritage Trail System. The Trail of Many Tracks is a heritage auto-touring route covering approximately 260 miles located in north central Arizona. The touring route passes through all communities adjacent to the Apache Sitgraves National Forest.

Oregon - The University of Oregon's Learn and Serve AmeriCorps Members are working and living in fourteen rural communities, five of which are USDA Forest Service supported. These participants are providing assistance in the areas of- 1) Economic Development; 2) Environmental Preservation, Restoration and Education; 3) Community Empowerment and Development.

Question 2: Does the AmeriCorps staff have the required professional experience to do the work?

All AmeriCorps Members receive extensive technical training before they start their service and ongoing professional supervision during their service. Forest Service managers and community leaders alike have repeatedly praised AmeriCorps Members for the high quality of their service.

Question 3: Who has done this type of work in the past? If contracts were used, why not continue to use competitive bids and get professional quality work with appropriate oversight?

By law, AmeriCorps Members can not displace existing employees or duplicate existing work. However, they are performing service far more cost-effectively than would be performed under more traditional staffing or contracting methods.

Forest Service project managers for Public Lands and Environment Team Members have calculated the exact cost savings to the Forest Service for each of their projects. For each dollar spent on these by the Federal government --- the AmeriCorps Members performed service that, if funded by Forest Service "force account," would have cost no less than $1.15 and as much as $1.51. If the same work were contracted out, it would have cost the no less than $1.50 and as much as $2.30 to perform the same work that was performed with one dollar of AmeriCorps funding.

The Clinch Powell RC&D Council in Rutledge Tennessee calculated that the Forest Service Rural Development Team Member supervised by the Council --- who spent the service year creating a county-wide recycling plan --- performed fully $3.29 worth of service for each dollar spent by the Forest Service.

Question 4: Are the AmeriCorps centers appropriately located so the priority projects are tackled for each of the main program areas listed?

All Forest Service projects --- selected after an intense internal competition and then a highly competitive external competition run by the Corporation for National Service --- are specifically designed to meet each regions' most pressing environmental and human needs. Rather than using a top-down approach in which Forest Service officials in Washington dictate to the forests, the AmeriCorps program empowers each forest and each region to determine their own priorities and their own strategies to meet those priorities.

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→ James Jordan

February 27, 1995

The President of the United States
The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I would like to extend a personal invitation for you to attend an **AmeriCorps** celebration in Oklahoma on Thursday and Friday, March 16 & 17, 1995. I have enclosed more specific details about the event.

I am a farmer and rancher; Director, North Fork of the Red River Conservation District; President, Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts; member, Oklahoma Mining Commission; Past President, Great Plains Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Association; and Past President, Oklahoma Association of RC&D Councils. In these roles, I have been highly involved in Oklahoma's USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service AmeriCorps Project. I know the importance of volunteerism and of citizens taking responsibility of their communities at the local level, and I feel the AmeriCorps program does foster this attitude.

After watching your State of the Union Address, it became even more apparent to me the importance of exposing people to the AmeriCorps members on a personal level. You are to be commended for that effort. If people can meet the participants, hear their stories and learn of the worthy goals they have for themselves after AmeriCorps, it would greatly help the program. As it stands, AmeriCorps is an abstract on paper for most people, and in this form, it is easier for opponents to criticize.

In Oklahoma, we have our own opposition to the program, and it has even manifested itself in our state's leading newspaper which is Republican slanted and constantly giving AmeriCorps bad press through articles and editorials.

We need your help, Mr. President. We have a successful project in Oklahoma, and we need to get the word out. If you or Mr. Gore could attend it would help us draw out the press and shine a positive light on the program. Our particular project is gaining attention not only in Oklahoma, but also nationwide. It is an environmental project as well, and I know this could be of special interest to Mr. Gore.

Again, we would be greatly honored to have your presence at this important event, and I appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 405-393-4892 (Home) or 405-393-4320 (Office).

Respectfully Yours,

A.E. "Buddy" Cranford
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Sentinel, OK 73664

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USDA AMERICORPS PROGRAMS, BROKEN DOWN BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS IN WHICH PROJECTS WILL EITHER PROVIDE SERVICE OR RECRUIT PARTICIPANTS

AmeriCorps Anti-Hunger Project Sites

1. Vermont (Also envoronmental and rural development)
   Senators: Patrick J. Leahy (D)
   James M. Jeffords (R)
   At Large Representative: Bernard Sanders (I)

2. District of Columbia (Also environmental)
   Delegate: Eleanor Holmes Norton (D) (delegate)

3. Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Also flood relief)
   Senators: Herb Kohl (D)
   Russell D. Feingold (D)
   Representatives: Gerald D. Kleczka (D) 4th District
   Thomas M. Barrett (D) 5th District

4. Mississippi Delta Area (Sunflower, Humphreys, Hinds Counties)
   (Also enviornmental and rural development)
   Senators: Thad Cochran (R)
   Trent Lott (R)
   Representatives: Bennie Thompson (D) 2nd District

5. Los Angeles, California

Senators: Diane Feinstein (D) (Also environmental and rural development)
Barbara Boxer (D) (Also eenvironmental and rural development)

Representatives:	Anthony C. Bellerson	(D)	24th District
	Howard (Buck) McKeon	(R)	25th "
	Howard L. Berman	(D)	26th "
	Carlos J. Moorhead	(R)	27th "
	David Dreier	(R)	28th "
	Henry A. Waxman	(D)	29th "
	Xavier Becerra	(D)	30th "
	Matthew G. Martinez	(D)	31st "
	Julian C. Dixon	(D)	32nd "
	Lucille Roybal-Allard	(D)	33rd "
	Esteban E. Torres	(D)	34th "
	Maxine Waters	(D)	35th "
	Jane Harman	(D)	36th "
	Walter R. Tucker III	(D)	37th "
	Stephen Horn	(R)	38th "
	Edward R. Royce	(R)	39th "
	Jay C. Kim	(R)	41st "

AmeriCorps Public Lands and the Environment Project Sites

6. Western Kansas

Senators:	Robert J. Dole (R)
	Nancy L. Kassebaum (R)
Representatives:	Pat Roberts (R) 1st District

7. Western Oklahoma

Senators:	David L. Boren (D)
	Don Nickles (R)
Representatives:	Dave McCurdy (D) 4th District

8. Texas Coast

Senators:	Phil Gramm	(R)
	Kay Hutchinson	(R)
Representatives:	Jack Brooks	(D) 9th District
	Greg Laughlin	(D) 14th District
	Tom DeLay	(R) 22nd District
	Michael A. Andrews	(D) 25th District

9. Atlanta, Georgia

Senators:	Sam Nunn (D)	
	Paul Coverdell (R)	
Representatives:	John Linder	(R) 4th District
	John Lewis	(D) 5th District

10. Boston, Massachusetts

Senators:	Edward M. Kennedy (D)	
	John F. Kerry (D)	
Representatives:	Joseph P. Kennedy, II	(D) 8th District
	John Joseph Moakley	(D) 9th District

11. East St. Louis , Illinois (All food relief)

Senators:	Paul Simon (D)	
	Carol Moseley - Braun (D)	
Representatives:	Jerry F. Costello	(D) 12th District

12. New Jersey, state-wide

Senators:	Bill Bradley (D)	
	Frank R. Lautenberg (D)	
Representatives:	Christopher H. Smith	(R) 4th District
	Marge Roukema	(R) 5th District
	Frank Pallone, Jr.	(D) 6th District
	Bob Franks	(R) 7th District
	Donald M. Payne	(D) 10th District
	Dean A. Gallo	(R) 11th District
	Dick Zimmer	(R) 12th District
	Robert Menendez	(D) 13th District

13. District of Columbia (Also anti-hunger program)

Delegate:	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D)

14. Chicago, Illinois

Senators:	Paul Simon (D) (Also flood relief)
	Carol Moseley - Braun (D) (Also flood relief)
Representatives:	Bobby Rush (D) 1st
	Mel Reynolds (D) 2nd
	William Lipinski (D) 3rd
	Luis Gutierrez (D) 4th
	Dan Rostenkowski (D) 5th
	Cardiss Collins (D) 7th
	Sidney Yates (D) 9th

15. Portland Oregon

Senators:	Mark O. Hatfield (R) (Also rural development)
	Bob Packwood (R) (Also rural development)
Representatives:	Elizabeth Furse (D) 1st District
	Ron Wyden (D) 3rd District
	Peter A. DeFazio (D) 4th District

16. San Bernadino National Forrest, Southern California

Senators:	Dianne Feinstein (D) (Also anti-hunger and rural development)
	Barbara Boxer (D) (Also anti-hunger and rural development)
Representatives:	John T. Doolittle (R) 4th District
	Richard H. Lehman (D) 19th District
	Bill Thomas (R) 21st District
	Jerry Lewis (R) 40th District
	Jay Kim (R) 41st District
	George E. Brown, Jr. (D) 42nd District
	Alfred A. (Al) McCandless (R) 44th District

17. Six Rivers National Forest, Northern California

Senators:	Dianne Feinstein (D) (Also anti-hunger and rural development)	
	Barbara Boxer (D) (Also anti-hunger and rural development)	
Representatives:	Dan Hamburg	(D) 1st District

18. Olympic National Forest Washington State

Senators:	Slade Gorton (R)	
	Patty Murray (D)	
Representatives:	Norman D. Dicks	(D) 6th District

19. Rogue River National Forest, Southern Oregon

Senators:	Mark O. Hatfield (R)	
	Bob Packwood (R)	
Representatives:	Robert F. Smith	(R) 2nd District

20. Arizona, state-wide National Forest

Senators:	Dennis DeConcini (D)	
	John McCain (R)	
Representatives:	Ed Pastor	(D) 2nd District
	Bob Stump	(R) 3rd District
	Jim Kolbe	(R) 5th District
	Karan English	(D) 6th District

21. Bienville National Forest, Mississippi

Senators:	Thad Cochran (R) (Also anti-hunger annd rural develpment)	
	Trent Lott (R) (Also anti-hunger annd rural development)	
Representatives:	Jamie L. Whitten	(D) 1st District
	G.V. Montogomery	(D) 3rd District
	Mike Parker	(D) 4th District
	Gene Taylor	(D) 5th District

22. Green Mountain National Forest, Vermont (Also anti-hunger annd rural development)

Senators:	Patrick J. Leahy (D)	
	James M. Jeffords (R)	
Representatives:	Bernard Sanders (I) (at large)	

23. White Mountain National Forest, New Hampshire

Senators:	Robert C. Smith (R)	
	Judd Gregg (R)	
Representatives:	Bill Zeliff	(R) 1st District
	Dick Swett	(D) 2nd District

AmeriCorps Rural Development Project Sites

24. New England (Maine, Vermont, Northwestern New York

Maine

Senators:	William S. Cohen (R)	
	George J. Mitchell (D)	
Representatives:	Olympia J. Snowe (R)	2nd District
	Thomas Andrews (D)	1st District

Vermont (Also anti-hunger and environmental)

Senators:	Patrick J. Leahy (D)
	James M. Jeffords (R)
Representatives:	Bernard Sanders (I)

Northwestern New York

Senators:	Daniel P. Moynihan (D)
	Alfonse M. D'Amato (R)
Representatives:	John LaFalce (D) - 29th
	Amo Hoghton (R) - 31st
	William Paxon ((R) -27th
	Jack Quinn ((R) - 30th

25. Appalachia (Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia

Tennessee

Senators:	Jim Sasser (D)
	Harlan Mathews (D)
Representatives:	Jim Cooper (D) 4th
	Bart Gordon (D) 6th
	Don Sunquist (R) 7th
	John Tanner (D) 8th

Virginia

Senators:	John W. Warner (R)
	Charles S. Robb (D)
Representatives:	Rick Boucher (D) 9th
	L.F. Payne (D) 5th
	Robert Scott ((D) 3rd

West Virginia

Senators:	Robert C. Byrd (D)
	John D. Rockefeller IV (D)
Representatives:	Alan Mollohan (D) 1st
	Bob Wise (D) 2nd

26. South Carolina, state-wide

Senators:	Strom Thurmond (R)
	Ernest F. Hollings (D)
Representatives:	Floyd Spence (R) 2nd
	Butler Derrick (D) 3rd
	John Spratt (D) 5th
	James Clyburn (D) 6th)

27. Mississippi Delta (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi

Arkansas

Senators:	Dale Bumpers (D)
	David Pryor (D)
Representatives:	Blanche Lambert (D) 1st
	Ray Thornton (D) 2nd
	Tim Hutchinson (R) 3rd
	Jay Dickey (R) 4th

Louisiana

Senators:	J. Bennett Johnston (D)
	John B. Breaux (D)
Representatives:	Bob Livingston (R) 1st
	William Jefferson (D) 2nd
	W.J. (Billy) Tauzin (D) 3rd
	Cleo Fields (D) 4th
	Jim McCrery (R) 5th
	Richard Baker (R) 6th
	James Hayes (D) 7th

Mississippi

Senators:	Thad Cochran (R)
	Trent Lott (R)
Representatives:	Jamie Whitten (D) 1st
	Bennie Thompson (D) 2nd
	Mike Parker (D) 4th

28. Great Lakes (Michigan, Ohio)

Michigan

Senators:	Donald W. Riegle, Jr. (D)
	Carl Levin (D)
Representatives:	James Barcia (D) 5th District

Ohio

Senators:	John Glenn (D)
	Howard M. Metzenbaum (D)
Representatives:	Michael Oxley (R) 4th
	David Hobson (R) 7th
	John Kasich (R) 12th
	Deborah Pryce (R) 15h

29. Minnesota, state-wide

Senators:	Jim Ramstad (R)
	Bruce F. Vento (D)
Representatives:	Colin Peterson (D) 7th

30. Texas Colonias

Senators:	Phil Gramm (R)
	Bob Krueger (D)
Representatives:	Kika de la Garza (D 15th
	Henry Bonilla (R) 23rd
	Frank Tejeda (D) 28th

Four Corners (Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah)

Arizona

Senators:	Dennis DeConcini (D)
	John McCain (R)
Representatives:	Bob Stump (R) 3rd
	Karen English (D) 6th

Colorado

Senators:	Hank Brown (R)
	Ben Nighthorse Campbell (D)
Representatives:	Scott McInnis (R) 3rd

New Mexico

Senators:	Robert C. Smith (R)
	Judd Gregg (R)
Representatives:	Steve Schiff (R) 1st
	Joe Skeen (R) 2nd
	Bill Richardson (D) 3rd

Utah

Senators:	Orrin G. Hatch (R)
	Robert F. Bennett (R)
Representatives:	Bill Orton (D) 3rd

32. Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Washington)

Oregon
- Senators: Mark O. Hatfield (R); Bob Packwood (R)
- Representatives: Elizabeth Furse (D) 1st; Ron Wyden (D) 3rd; Peter Fazio (D) 4th

Washington
- Senators: Slade Gorton (R); Patty Murray (D)
- Representatives: Jay Inslee (D) 4th

33. California, state-wide
- Senators: Dianne Feinstein (D); Barbara Boxer (D)
- Representatives: Dan Hamburg (D) 1st; Lynn Woolsey (D) 6th; Jay C. Kim (R) 17th; Howard P. (Buck) McKeon (R) 25th; Jerry Lewis (R) 40th; George Brown , Jr. (D) 42nd

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34. Illinois
- Senators: Paul Simon (D); Carol Moseley - Braun (D)
- Representatives: Jerry F. Costello (D) 12th; Lane Evans (D) 17th; Richard Durbin (D) 20th

35. Iowa

Senators:	Charles E. Grassley (R)	
	Tom Harkin (D)	
Representatives:	James A. Leach	(R) 1st
	Jim Nussle	(R) 2nd
	Jim Lightfoot	(R) 3rd
	Neal Smith	(D) 4th
	Fred Grandy	(R) 5th

36. Kansas

Senators:	Robert Dole (R)
	Nancy Landon Kassebaum (R)
Representatives:	Pat Roberts (R) 1st
	Jim Slattery (D) 2nd

37. Minnesota

Senators:	Dave Durenberger (R)
	Paul David Wellstone (D)
Representatives:	Collin C. Peterson (D) 7th

38. Missouri

Senators:	John C. Danforth (R)	
	Christopher S. Bond (R)	
Representatives:	William L. Clay	(D) 1st
	Richard A. Gephardt	(D) 3rd
	Ike Skelton	(D) 4th
	Alan Wheat	(D) 5th
	Pat Danner	(D) 6th
	Mel Hancock	(R) 7th
	Bill Emerson	(R) 8th
	Harold L. Volkmer	(D) 9th

39. Nebraska

Senators:	J. James Exon (D)
	J. Robert Kerrey (D)
Representatives:	Doug Bereuter (R) 1st
	Peter Hoagland (D) 2nd
	Bill Barrett (R) 3rd

40. North Dakota

Senators:	Kent Conrad (D)
	Byron L. Dorgan (D)
Representatives:	Earl Pomeroy (D) At Large

41. South Dakota

Senators:	Larry Pressler (R)
	Thomas A. Daschle (D)
Representatives:	Tim Johnson (D) At Large

42. Wisconsin

Senators:	Herb Kohl (D)
	Russell Feingold (D)
Representatives:	Steve Gunderson (R) 3rd