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Ed & Mike:

Do you have any more details about our role in all of the events on Wednesday? As I understand it, we (GSENM/KFO) are not included on the driving or hiking tour. We have no information on where the driving tour or hiking tour will be. We are not expecting a Secretary visit to the office/meet with staff. We are not expecting the use of our Big Water Visitor Center ( which is closed on Wednesdays) or the Kanab HQ for the press briefing.

If any of that changes, please keep us posted. We are prepared to do whatever is needed to assist with any of those activities, including scouting out the roads ( which could be challenging with expected rain in the forecast), participating on the driving/hiking tour, hosting the press conference at one of our buildings, etc.). We have prepared 5 "welcome packets" for the visits, to be used at whatever level you deem appropriate.

We are also preparing a route packet for your drive on Thursday back to SLC via Boulder. If Zion is a preferred stop, your route back to SLC via Boulder would need to be on the pavement, and likely need to skip the Calf Creek Falls hike ( 6 miles round trip). You could stop at our Cannonville VC and our Escalante VC, and we could be at those locations to give an overview of GSENM.

If you don't go to Zion, an easier stop would be Bryce. That is right on the pavement route to Boulder. You could leave Kanab early, and stop at Bryce and drive the route in Bryce. Then you could still fit in the Calf Creek Falls hike, if you don't stop at Cannonville and Escalante VCs. It will be a long day if you include the hike.

Another option is: Kanab to Cannonville via the Cottonwood Road. This route features some of our key fossil/dinosaur finds on GSENM, as well as Grosvenor Arch and views of the Kaiparowits. We could provide Alan Titus, our Paleontologist to narrate that part of the route. Then it would be on to Calf Creek and a hike, stop in Boulder to eat and then on to SLC.

Let me know what route you're thinking and we will get everything into the Welcome Packets.

Cindy

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On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 8:06 AM, Edwin Roberson <[eroberso@blm.gov](mailto:eroberso@blm.gov)> wrote:

Cindy, we are in a Tahoe high clearance 4 WD. Mike and I be with two folks from the Department. One is working on the monument review and one of the DOI Comms folks. Both will be good folks to see more of the Monument area and learn more about the challenges and opportunities. We actually have some time Weds while the Sec is with local officials and while he's in the air that we can chat/tour. Thank you. Ed

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On May 8, 2017, at 7:47 AM, Staszak, Cynthia <[cstaszak@blm.gov](mailto:cstaszak@blm.gov)> wrote:

Ed:

Can you let me know what you will be driving? We had quite the downpour last night and road status/drivability will be a moving target. If you have a high clearance, 4WD, that opens more options for trip planning. Alternatively, we could shuttle all of you in our 4WD vehicles and have staff transport your vehicle to a meeting place on the pavement.

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On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 1:40 AM, Edwin Roberson <[eroberso@blm.gov](mailto:eroberso@blm.gov)> wrote:

Cindy, Tooter and Harry,  
I am in Blanding after an interesting day with the Secretary. We will be touring Bears Ears the next two days. The Secretary will be arriving in Kanab between 8:30 & 9 on Tuesday night. On Weds he has

breakfast with the county commissioners and legislators. Then he goes to Big Water. From 10:30 to 12:30 we have the group on a driving tour of the Monument. There will be lunch and a walking tour (but I'm not sure where that is). He flies over the monument in the afternoon and then leaves for SLC. Mike Richardson and I will be escorting the Secretary's principle staffer on monuments and his communications person. I was hoping to drive them through the monument to Boulder and on to SLC. It would be great if you all had a route to hit the highlights on that route. Calf Creek Falls could be a good hike. We need to get them back to SLC by evening. I will reach out to Cindy tomorrow to check on the driving tour route Weds morning and Thursday. Thank you. Ed

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