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From: Samantha
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Tim,

First, I want to thank you for even responding to my emails. I appreciate that very much.

Second, I want to say that I'm really disappointed by this. Mostly because I have been listening closely to what the Secretary has been saying and he says he cares about the local voice. I am local, but I have no voice.

I'm very saddened to hear that there will not be any public input while he is here and no public meeting. I drove 6 hours to attend the meeting when Former Secretary Jewell came and I thought it was a great demonstration of both sides of the isle. I think that if the Secretary only wants to listen to local politicians, it does a disservice for listening to the people.

I've heard you will be in southern Utah, I urge you and the Secretary to please consider going on a hike with me, letting me show you some of my favorite places, or even giving me 5 minutes of time. I will drive anywhere in the state to meet you next week and I hope you take in consideration the people's voice and my voice.

Thanks again for the response and consideration.

Best,

Samantha Starr

On May 5, 2017, at 7:14 PM, SIO, Scheduling <scheduling_sio@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hi Samantha. Thank you for the invitation to meet with Secretary Zinke during his upcoming travel to Utah. Unfortunately, his current schedule is quite full and it's unlikely that he'll be able to accommodate any additional engagements. I'm very sorry we aren't able to fit everything in during this trip. I've been told that we're going to set up a website for feedback on the recent executive order, so please keep an eye out for that. And, of course, traditional letters with comments sent to the Secretary are always welcome. I'm sorry I can't be more helpful, but thank you for understanding.

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On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 11:03 AM, Samantha (b) (6) @gmail.com> wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I am writing again about the potential to meet with The Secretary when he visits Utah. I understand that The President is asking for a review of all monuments, and I believe it is imperative to get the citizens perspective on this. Being that two of the highly contested monuments reside in Utah, I assume it will be one of the first stops.

I am a born and raised Utahn, and I love this state and these lands as much as anyone could. My grandmother is a rancher in Southern Utah and I live in Salt Lake City. I travel to the desert twice a month to camp, hike and backpack. This issue is of the utmost importance to me. I would love to see democracy in action and to be able to have my voice heard directly.

If there is any way that I could meet with Secretary Zinke when he visits, or I would even come to Washington to meet with him, it would be very welcomed and so important to me.

I believe that the voices of the people should be heard, not just those of the politicians. I will do whatever it takes.

Please consider my request, and I appreciate your time.

Best,

Samantha Starr

On Apr 3, 2017, at 7:28 PM, Samantha (b) (6) @gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Caroline!

I am just checking in to see if perhaps a visit is in the works yet. Let me know!
Really looking forward to the Secretary visiting this beautiful state, and hopefully I will get a chance to meet with him.

Thank you!

Best,

Samantha Starr

On Mar 23, 2017, at 12:53 PM, Samantha Starr <samanthaannstarr@gmail.com> wrote:

Caroline,
Thanks SO much for the response. I will be looking forward to hearing from you. I know those visits are fast and furious, but like I said, I will make myself available at anytime and anywhere to talk to the Secretary. I think it is extremely important to hear from the citizens on the topics, not only the politicians and the interest groups. I will be so grateful for the time. Thank you!

Best,

Samantha Starr

On Thu, Mar 23, 2017 at 12:36 PM, SIO, Scheduling <scheduling_sio@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hi Samantha,
At this point, a trip to Utah has not yet been planned. I can certainly pass your message on to the Secretary. Should there be an opening in his schedule when a trip to Utah comes together, we will be in touch.

Best,
Caroline

On Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 1:05 PM, Samantha Starr <[\(b\) \(6\)@gmail.com](mailto:(b) (6)@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hello,
My name is Samantha and I live in Salt Lake City, Utah. I called the Department of Interior last week in hopes of getting through to someone in the Secretary's office.

I have heard rumors that the Secretary might be coming to Utah soon to address the situation surrounding the Bears Ears.

It is the longest shot ever, and totally unlikely, but I would love a chance to talk to the Secretary. I have lived in Utah all of my life, and grew up in Southern Utah. I am just a private citizen who would love to have her opinions heard.

The Lands in Utah are some of the most spectacular and I would love nothing more than to discuss the passion I have, as do my family and friends, for these lands with the Secretary.

It has proven to be impossibly hard to have your voice heard in Utah at the moment. I feel that the Utah Delegation and the Governor are not listening to the people. I have called and requested numerous meetings with the Governor only to have no response.

So, I am trying here.

Again, I totally understand that its a long shot, However I would be so honored to get a bit of time with the Secretary on his visit to Utah and I will travel to anywhere in the State to have a bit of face time with him.

Thanks for taking the time, and thank you for all you do in protecting our precious lands and serving the people of The United States.

Best,

Samantha Starr

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