From: Michael Reynolds
To: Boone, Whitney
Cc: Bowman, Randal; Janice DeSordi
Subject: Re: Strengthen Protections for National Monuments
Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 8:53:01 AM

Great thanks much.

Sent from my iPhone-sorry for typos.

On Jul 12, 2017, at 4:34 AM, Boone, Whitney <whitney_boone@nps.gov> wrote:

> Hi Mike,
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> Randy Bowman, the DOI monument review coordinator, recommends flagging the emails and setting them aside for now. As it currently stands, only comments submitted by physical mail or to regulations.gov are being accepted.
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> Let me know if you have any other questions!
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> Thanks,
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> ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> From: **Bowman, Randal** <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov>
> Date: Wed, Jul 12, 2017 at 8:01 AM
> Subject: Re: Strengthen Protections for National Monuments
> To: "Boone, Whitney" <whitney_boone@nps.gov>
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> Thanks for checking. We are accepting comments only through the regs.gov site and by mail to the DOI address in the Federal Register notice. Email and phone comments are not being accepted. I suggest he put them in a folder or otherwise set them aside for a week or so, in case there is a change in the policy, and then treat them as he would any other unsolicited email.
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> On Wed, Jul 12, 2017 at 7:53 AM, Boone, Whitney <whitney_boone@nps.gov> wrote:
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> > Hi Randy,
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> > What is the protocol for monument comments received via email? Should Mike forward these to you to include with the regulations.gov comments?
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> > Thanks!
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> > ---------- Forwarded message ----------
> > From: **Reynolds, Michael** <michael_reynolds@nps.gov>
> > Date: Mon, Jul 10, 2017 at 5:08 PM
> > Subject: Fwd: Strengthen Protections for National Monuments
> > To: Whitney Boone <whitney_boone@nps.gov>

Whitney-We have a lot of these letters coming in. Should I forward them to a certain person or place in DOI working on the Monuments or handle another way? I probably have 10 but they are all the same...

---------- Forwarded message ----------

From: **Brad De Ark** (b) (6) [redacted] >
Date: Mon, Jul 10, 2017 at 3:28 PM
Subject: Strengthen Protections for National Monuments
To: Michael Reynolds <Michael_Reynolds@nps.gov>

Michael Reynolds,

I am writing to express strong opposition to rolling back any land protections authorized by the Antiquities Act, and request your support to safeguard it from further attacks.

The Antiquities Act allows Presidents to protect Federal lands as permanent parts of our nation's landscape. The President's Executive Order to review past designations breaks not only with the rich conservation tradition begun by this law, but breaks the law itself. In doing so, the President has jeopardized generations of work by Americans who used laws like the Antiquities Act to protect our nation's most cherished natural resources, wildlife habitats, and recreation areas.

As the stewards of America's public lands, I expect that you will express the same concern that I have about this Administration's blatant disregard for Federal laws and the lands they protect. I ask that Department of the Interior recommends strengthening Federal land protections under the Antiquities Act.

Please respect the law of the land and the intent of the Antiquities Act. Do not adjust the boundaries or restrictions of the national monuments.

Brad De Ark
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