

Comes, Rachel

From: Mike Pederson <mpederson@siouxsteel.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:36 PM
To: Coughlin, Paul
Subject: Land Purchases

Buy what you can..when you can !! they quit making it !!!

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From: Acs <acs@venturecomm.net>
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:55 PM
To: Coughlin, Paul
Subject: land purchases input

Hi, i believe my input was submitted this past year and half, just making sure you still have that. It was under the name Ryan Roehr. If you don't have it still i'll have to retype it then.
Thank you, Ryan Roehr

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From: Twedt, Michael
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 3:10 PM
To: Coughlin, Paul
Subject: Land buying guide

Paul:

I thought the policy was written well and I support the purchase of as much land as practical.

Regards,

Mike Twedt

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From: Stanton Family <stantonfamily@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 4:15 PM
To: Coughlin, Paul

Please continue with land and water purchases. Sportsmen are losing access at an alarming rate. Your current criteria looks suitable to me. Very important that our sportsmen's dollars be invested for future generations.

Forrest "Mick" Stanton
Watertown, SD

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From: Lucas Nogelmeier <lucas@lewsfireworks.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 4:40 PM
To: Coughlin, Paul
Subject: Acquisition of Public Lands

Dear Secretary Hepler and member of the GF&P Commission,

I am writing today in support of the continued purchase and management of public lands in South Dakota by the GFP and Commission. It is my understanding that there are a number of action/information items before you and I urge you to move forward with the land purchase proposals, as well as all future proposals.

Rather than refer to the litany of talking points you have already seen or heard, I would like you to consider my personal testimony. I was born in South Dakota and lived here for all 36 years of my life. I have no intention of ever leaving. I spend at least forty days each September, October, November and December in the field. While I love to hunt, what I love more is spending time in God's creation with friends, family and my four legged hunting ally, Sage. While I do have access to private land, each year sees more and more of the shelterbelts and sloughs that I grew up hunting stripped and burned to make room for crops. I fully respect the landowners' right to do as they see fit with their private property, but these farming practices undoubtedly have a negative impact on wildlife. Additionally, it reduces available hunting ground to smaller and smaller parcels. The public lands in our state has afforded me the ability to spend more time in the field and I can safely say that the majority of my hunts occur on public land. By purchasing more land, the state is ensuring that the wildife will have a greater opportunity to thrive and we have quality places to hunt.

In closing, I would again respectfully ask that you continue to purchase available land for myself and the rest of the citizens of the great State of South Dakota. Thank you.

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