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Erin...the fax number for me for TODAY ONLY is [REDACTED] I am leaving here to travel again at end of work day. Do you still want me to sign? Let me know via email if you are faxing so that I can go by that office later to get it. thanks!

-----Original Message-----

>From: Erin Connelly <econnelly@fs.fed.us>

>Sent: Jun 16, 2009 7:10 PM

>To: [REDACTED]

>Subject: Fax info

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>Hi Lindsey: I did not receive yor fax info. Looks like signing will happen

>tomorrow (wednesday).

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>Erin

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Erin Connelly/R3/USDAFS

06/18/2009 01:13 PM

To Tom Florich/R2/USDAFS@FSNOTES,

cc [REDACTED]
Michael Frazier/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

bcc Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS

Subject Operating Plan

Tom and Tony:

This is an updated version of the Operating Plan (with track changes) that I provided to Tony in hard copy last night after the community meeting in Cuba. Note that we had thought we were going to change all the "wills" to "shalls", but ultimately decided against it. This version has the "wills" back in. There are a few other differences and the track changes will display those.

I would like to get to a point today of "finalizing" the Operating Plan, knowing that as we work through the daily implementation there indeed may be modifications that we make.



RAINBOW OPERATING PLAN 6 18 09 Tony w FS changes_ec.doc

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Erin Connelly/R3/USDAFS

06/26/2009 01:09 PM


To Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc

bcc

Subject Rainbow Contact

History:

 This message has been replied to.



I spoke with Jeff Kline this morning. He will be at the Rainbow site this Sunday for the duration. He asked that I let you know that he would be there so that if he needed expediant communication with us we'd know where to find him and knew who he was. I'm assuming you know who he is, if you don't or want more info on his involvement with this year's gathering, give me a call.

I'm not sure that this information is confidential, but we probably want to treat it sensitively.

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r3 visitor info center
Sent by: James
Gormally/R3/USDAFS

06/29/2009 11:31 AM

To [REDACTED]
cc Judy Yandoh/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Derek J
Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Lawrence M
Lujan/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Ignacio D

bcc

Subject Re: [R3 WWW E-Form]

Hello Mr. [REDACTED] My Name is Jim Gormally, returning your inquiry from the USDA, Forest Service Southwestern Region regional office, Albuquerque, NM. Thank you for your concern regarding the Rainbow Family of Light gathering currently planned for July 1-7 on the Cuba Ranger District, Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico. This event is being conducted under a permit being administered by the Forest Service. These special use permits may be applied for by all noncommercial planning an event of more than 75 or more participants.

Their visitation is not illegal. The event is being managed by a Type I Incident Management Team in cooperation with law enforcement. The Forest Service does appreciate your concerns related to impacts a group of this size brings to bear on natural resources. As with all group use activities, this or any other permittee must adhere to certain regulations pertaining to occupancy and use and the Forest Service is obliged to work closely with any organization, whether that be church/religious gatherings, Boy Scout Jamborees, or civic organizations to ensure access and safety of an event. The Forest Service is doing so, and the organizers of this event are cooperating with this agency.

I will include agency personnel who are more closely involved with the administration of the Rainbow event permit as recipients of this reply. The telephone number for Rainbow Gathering Information is (505) 438-5685. Additional information is available from the Forest Service Rainbow Family Gathering webpage. Please visit: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/sfe/rainbow/index.html>

Again, thank you for your concern for public lands,

Cordially,

Jim Gormally

USDA, Forest Service Southwestern Region
brian@cdinm.net (Brian Thompson)

[REDACTED]
06/29/2009 08:28 AM

To r3_visitor_info_center@fs.fed.us
cc

Subject [R3 WWW E-Form]

email: [REDACTED]
realname: [REDACTED]
concerning: general

msg: I am applaud that the forest service is going to let that many people invade that particular area of the Jemez mtns, the Park Vernado area is the elk calving and deer fawn area every year. Also where is 10,000 people going to park, camp, and go to the bathroom, also how much of the surrounding area are they going to disturb??????? Who is responsible for letting this happen. Also what about the few residents that have trips planned well before they decided to invade that area are we supposed to do. And the disruption of the animals will take a year to recovery, - which is illegal via hunters rights.

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Daniel Jiron/R3/USDAFS
06/29/2009 02:17 PM

To Erin Connelly/R3/USDAFS, Dolores Maese/R3/USDAFS
cc
bcc
Subject Fw: Jemez Mountains

Erin it might be good if you call brian

Sent from my BlackBerry Handheld.

From: "Gleadle, Brian, DGF" [brian.gleadle@state.nm.us]
Sent: 06/29/2009 10:36 AM CST
To: Daniel Jiron
Cc: "Brooks, Daniel E., DGF" <daniel.brooks@state.nm.us>
Subject: FW: Jemez Mountains

Dan,

The Department is beginning to receive complaints regarding the process and anticipated resource damage associated with the Rainbow gathering. As seen below, it would be helpful if you can provide us with some talking points regarding the process that the FS used to permit this group, if wildlife were considered and anything else you can provide regarding the process or conditions in place to mitigate the damage.

I don't know that the ATV's are associated with this group, but are you aware of this issue?

Anything you can provide would be helpful. Thanks

*Brian Gleadle, Chief
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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 9:36 AM
To: Wunder, Matthew, DGF; Kirkpatrick, R J., DGF
Cc: Brooks, Daniel E., DGF; Michelle Briscoe, NMWF; ethelbaca@fs.fed.us; bsilva@fs.fed.us; bmartinez@fs.fed.us
Subject: Jemez Mountains

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Thank you for your time.



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Dolores Maese/R3/USDAFS
06/29/2009 04:18 PM

To Chantel M Cook/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Erin
Connelly/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Concern for elk and deer impacts by Rainbow
Gathering and ATV's

OK---There was another inquiry from a Brian Gleadle of NM Game and Fish who got the inquiry from Rocky Mtn. Elk Foundation who got Mr. [REDACTED] inquiry... I wonder how many people are answering the one inquiry?

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Chantel M Cook/R3/USDAFS

Chantel M Cook/R3/USDAFS
06/29/2009 04:02 PM

To Dolores Maese/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc

Subject Fw: Concern for elk and deer impacts by Rainbow Gathering
and ATV's

Dolores,

This is the message I just sent to Jon Williams. Attached at the end is the original inquiry to Rocky Mtn Elk Foundation.

I never did get to talk w/ Gail Tunberg; she called Ramon Borrego after leaving me a voice message. He was in & apparently he answered all her questions. However, this afternoon, she gave me a follow-up call/voice message to explain that the inquiry about the potential impact on elk calving areas came through Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's National Headquarters, and apparently this concern includes not only the impact on elk calving areas, but the potential impact on hunts this fall, since the Rainbow gathering is likely to last through the end of July. Will that activity have some longer-term impact on hunting this fall? Gail wondered if we needed to get together with Game & Fish and have a discussion about the potential impacts. I passed the concern on to Jon & he can discuss this with Will Amy when he reports to duty later this month. I've officially handed this off!

Chantel

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Chantel M Cook/R3/USDAFS

06/29/2009 03:19 PM

To Jon T Williams/R3/USDAFS, Michael Frazier/R3/USDAFS

cc

Subject Fw: Concern for elk and deer impacts by Rainbow Gathering and ATVs

FYI

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Gail C Tunberg/R3/USDAFS

06/29/2009 02:13 PM

To "Tom Toman" <TOM@RMEF.ORG>

cc "Brandon Hoffner" <bhoffner@RMEF.ORG>, Ramon C Borrego/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Ramon C Borrego/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Chantel M Cook/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Laurie A Thorpe/R6/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Judy Yandoh/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Don G DeLorenzo/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES,
[REDACTED]

Subject RE: Concern for elk and deer impacts by Rainbow Gathering and ATVs []

Tom, thanks for sharing the concern from Mr. [REDACTED] about impacts to elk and deer during calving and fawning season due to the Rainbow Gathering and ATV's on the Santa Fe National Forest. I need to correct earlier information on the status of the Gathering. The group does have a permit for their stay. Although they have successfully won in court in past years, and have not had a permit in several years, they signed one this year. The permit requires rehabilitation of surface disturbance caused by the Gathering. I am forwarding this message with Mr. [REDACTED] e-mail to Ray Borrego, Wildlife Biologist at Cuba Ranger District.

Prior to the arrival of the first group, Ray coordinated with New Mexico Department of Game and Fish who visited the location. They did not propose additional mitigations beyond what is included in the permit. In speaking with Ray, he said that although elk and deer were displaced at Bosque Vennado, the site of the Gathering, they are finding plenty of good forage and nursery habitat within other areas of San Pedro Parks. The Parks are comprised of a series of large meadows intermixed with forest. Although there are short term impacts to elk and deer during calving and fawning, the area will be rehabilitated by August. All of the Rainbow participants will be out of Bosque Vennado by the end of August. There should not be any interference with the September archery hunt.

The Santa Fe National Forest is currently planning travel management and may take Mr. [REDACTED]

comments regarding ATV impacts into consideration.

If you would like more information, Ray would be happy to talk with you. His number is (575) 289-3264.

Gail Tunberg
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"Tom Toman" <TOM@RMEF.ORG>

"Tom Toman"
<TOM@RMEF.ORG>
06/29/2009 10:46 AM

To "Brandon Hoffner" <bhoffner@RMEF.ORG>
cc

Subject RE: Jemez Mountains elk

Brandon,

I have personally experienced the Rainbow Family of the Living Light. The first was outside Lander, the second was near Big Piney and the last was in the Upper Green River. We too were overwhelmed by the sheer number of people that would be invading these areas and were concerned about all kinds of resource damage, from grass trampling to stream pollution to poaching! Most of our worries were not realized, thankfully! From a resource standpoint, the group did a fairly good job of cleaning up after their celebration. They were required by USFS to rehabilitate the area with seed mixes approved by USFS on trails and camping areas that were trampled in to the point native vegetation was harmed or removed. My experiences were that the rehab work was done well and by the end of summer and certainly by the middle of the next summer, the area showed little sign of the large number of folks who were in the area for a short time. We too were concerned about the impact on wildlife, especially the late calving and nursery areas that cow elk and their offspring used in these areas. We could not measure adverse effects although I am certain there could have been some that we could not observe. About a month after the celebration, we started seeing elk and deer using the area and the following summer saw what we would consider normal distribution on and around the camping site area.

There was always an issue of permits and party sizes. Standard for USFS at the time was no more than 40 persons in a group and no more than 14 days in the same same campsite or drainage. I learned this morning that those are no longer issues. Congress passed special legislation several years ago specifically for the Rainbow Family that precluded them from the USFS permit requirement, length of stay and party size. The USFS does monitor their activities for violations of Forest Service regulations and other agencies monitor other state and federal rules, regulations and laws.

As for the ATV use, that is a growing problem for much of elk country. A few folks seem to ruin it for everyone else and the RMEF has spent a lot of resources encouraging responsible use and we have even contributed funding to closing illegal roads and trails along with funds for restoring the native grasses, forbs and shrubs that had been disturbed. We can only encourage the enforcement of the rules and regulations by the various agencies to slow down their impact on elk country.

Best regards!

Tom Toman | Director of Conservation
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

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From: Brandon Hoffner
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 9:59 AM
To: Tom Toman
Subject: FW: Jemez Mountains elk

Tom,

Here is another situation. Last year the Rainbows were on the BTNF and as I understood the situation, there was not much the FS or BLM could do to stop them. A lot of political stuff going on. Do you have response ready to go for the Rainbow situation?

Brandon Hoffner | Lands Program Manager



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From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 9:51 AM
To: Brandon Hoffner; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]
Subject: Jemez Mountains elk

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Ethel Baca/R3/USDAFS


06/30/2009 07:19 AM

To Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc


bcc

Subject Fw: Rainbow in forest

History:  This message has been forwarded.

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06/29/2009 08:25 AM

To "ethelbaca@fs.fed.us" <ethelbaca@fs.fed.us>

cc "bsilva@fs.fed.us" <bsilva@fs.fed.us>

Subject Rainbow in forest

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"Kelli Murtagh"
<kmurtagh@bemco.gov>
06/30/2009 08:42 AM

To <Donald.Scott@state.nm.us>, "Derek J Padilla"
<dpadilla@fs.fed.us>
cc
bcc

Subject RE: Cuba Flight NMDHSEM

History: This message has been replied to.

Good morning Don and Derek,

These are the last items the crew is requesting.....

Area description of LZ, does it have approach and departure space or is it a smaller straight up and out?
Second is there fuel available, or is Santa Fe closest refuel area?

Thank you all,

Kelli

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@fs.fed.us] Ex. (b)(6) & (b)(7)(C)
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2009 8:24 PM
To: Kelli Murtagh; Donald.Scott@state.nm.us
Cc: Derek J Padilla
Subject: Re: Cuba Flight NMDHSEM

Kelli,

I have forwarded your message to Derek Padilla. He can help you with the specifics on this better than I. He will likely be the Forest Service rep if there is a need on the flight.

Don, Derek will contact you tomorrow to discuss particulars.....

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**Kenan R
Jaycox/NONFS/USDAFS**

06/10/2009 10:43 AM

To Mark Catron/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Sophie
Salaz/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Willard
Tolman/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

bcc

Subject Re: Needing advise and council re: Possible Rainbow
Gathering on the Santa Fe

Yes, most definitely. We can mobilize CAT help to set it up. I just wish we had more notice, but I guess we don't know until right game time where they end up. Thanks for all the info and preplanning. As soon as we know something we can get the CAT going and also try and help Wendy with dispatchers or anything else needed....

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Mark Catron/R3/USDAFS

Mark Catron/R3/USDAFS

06/10/2009 09:53 AM

To Kenan R Jaycox/NONFS/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Willard
Tolman/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Sophie
Salaz/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Derek J
Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc

Subject Needing advise and council re: Possible Rainbow Gathering
on the Santa Fe

Hi Wendy and Kenan, Sorry to not touch base with you via phone today and resorting to this darn computer, but I'm off to other meetings et al. It looks like I have been nominated to run the logistics section for the Rainbow Gathering if it is going to be held on the Santa Fe. The Rainbows are suppose to pick a Gathering site by the end of this week. There is still a possibility it could be some place other than the Santa Fe (Santa Fe, Gila, and Carson all have their fingers crossed). We should be getting a job code for this gathering event before long. We are planning on the ICP for this event to be in Cuba behind the RD office. Anyway, I need some advise and council if it does occur on the Cuba RD:

Wendy:

Can we run radio communications off the Forest repeater, or should we order up a repeater and a box of radios via normal fire ordering channels. I understand this National Rainbow IMT comes with a COML, but I have not talked or heard from them to date. I have no idea of radio traffic needs for this event. I understand that Eureka Mesa is a good repeater that Cuba uses a bunch.

I'm also looking into the possibility of a COW. Existing cell phone coverage is marginal and spotty at the potential site on the District. We'll see how that goes. Working with Curtis on this one.

Supply orders: I'm thinking mainly we will be ordering consumables and renting things. Should we run the resource orders through Santa Fe Dispatch and then go buy locally in Cuba? We will probably be renting items also, ie tables, chairs, office mobiles, etc. If we get into a durable supply item, I'll get with Dottie down at SFK and you to see how to handle.

Kenan:

If we end up going with a repeater system and tac radios, would it also be possible to order up a CAT to help us set it up?

I have heard of a rumor regarding a FEMA Com unit, but have not had a chance to track that one down yet.

Thanks to you both for your help. I am trying to stay on my cell also, but sometimes in and out of service.
505.320.4083 Mark

Sophie, FYI

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"Go Forth and Do Good Things"

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Ethel Baca/R3/USDAFS

07/02/2009 07:34 AM

To Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

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bcc

Subject Fw: Rainbow group Gathering in New Mexico

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Subject Rainbow group Gathering in New Mexico

Mr. Bingaman and all who should be concerned.

The Rainbow group is having their gathering this month in the Jemez Mountains, Cuba Ranger District here in NM with up to 10,000 or more people for over a week.

I am very concerned and upset at the site they are using. That area of the Mountain is one of the only area's on that side away from the Calderas that is a very delicate habitat, it is the elk calving and deer fawn nursery area for the whole west half of the Jemez mountains. Even the USFS maps show Elk calving area on the map for that site. This is insane, out of all the places to let them go this was the worst. Big mistake.

We would like to know **who with the forest service is responsible** for letting them have that site, there was a lot of better sites that would not have been so damaging in the Jemez. That person needs to be fired.

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Ethel Baca/R3/USDAFS

07/03/2009 07:18 AM

To Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: Rainbow Gathering

----- Forwarded by Ethel Baca/R3/USDAFS on 07/03/2009 07:18 AM -----



07/02/2009 05:25 PM

To <ethelbaca@fs.fed.us>

cc

Subject Rainbow Gathering

Greetings,

I am very upset that you let this gathering take place in this forest. 12,000 people living in this pristine area will completely destroy it. It will take 5 – 10 years to recuperate. The very spot of the gathering is an elk and deer nursery. These animals will not return for years. The stink of 12,000 shitting and pissing all over the area will drive all animals away. I would like to know the persons name and contact information that made the decision to let this happen. I have contacted Senator Udall and Bingaman and the Governors office to lodge a complaint about your office. What is your plan to remove all of the sewage and trash from this group? What is your plan to re-grow the entire habitat that is destroyed? What are you going to do about all of the trees that were illegally cut over the past few weeks and the many more that are being cut today? What are you going to do to bring wildlife back to the area? What were you (the government) thinking by allowing this to happen? I look forward to your response.

Jack

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Denise Ottaviano/WO/USDAFS
07/16/2009 10:11 AM

To Derek J Padilla/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES
cc Dolores Maese/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES, Lawrence M Lujan/R3/USDAFS@FSNOTES
bcc

Subject Fw: Rainbow gathering in SFNF Cuba ranger district

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Derek. Looks like Mr. [REDACTED] emailed a lot of people in the Forest Service about his disgust with the Rainbow Gathering. This email came to Caroline Deaderick in the WO for some weird reason. I looked back and noticed that you sent a response to Mr. [REDACTED] on July 3rd and this particular email was sent by him on July 2nd so I don't believe he needs another response.

I've let Theyry know that more than one response has been sent to Mr. [REDACTED] already.

Hope all is well. How is the cleanup going?

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----- Forwarded by Denise Ottaviano/WO/USDAFS on 07/16/2009 10:04 AM -----

Thiery Curtis/WO/USDAFS
07/16/2009 05:58 AM

To Caroline Deaderick/WO/USDAFS@FSNOTES
cc Denise Ottaviano/WO/USDAFS@FSNOTES
Subject Re: Fw: Rainbow gathering in SFNF Cuba ranger district

Caroline, Usually we send these to the National Forest to answer. I hesitate to answer an email with no address or name to respond to.

I will forward to Rainbow Team members for info. (Denise, FYI)

Thiery G. Curtis
Deputy Director, Office of Communication
Forest Service, USDA
Fax Number: 202-205-0885
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Caroline Deaderick/WO/USDAFS



Caroline Deaderick/WO/USDAFS
07/15/2009 02:36 PM

To Thiery Curtis/WO/USDAFS@FSNOTES
cc



Subject Fw: Rainbow gathering in SFNF Cuba ranger district

Hi Thiery, the following e-mail was sent to me by someone from the public. He may have sent it to you and hundreds of other FS employees as I can't view anything in the TO: or CC: line. Anyway, I'm not sure who should reply to him. I am aware of the big problems with Rainbow gatherings over the years and can emphasize with him, but can't help with a reply. Would you please forward to the appropriate person for a reply. Thanks much, Caroline

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Wash your hands - again!

--- Forwarded by Caroline Deaderick/WO/USDAFS on 07/15/2009 02:32 PM ---



07/02/2009 11:32 AM

To
cc

Subject Rainbow gathering in SFNF Cuba rager district

Needed now -- the Rainbow group is breaking the law on special permt use that they have for this weeks gathering in the mountians.

The Rainbow group is having their gathering this month in the Jemez Mountains, Cuba Ranger District here in NM with up to 10,000 or more people for over a week.

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Lisa Law

07/16/2009 07:30 AM

To Erin Connelly <econnelly@fs.fed.us>

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Permit and Operating Plan

Hi Erin, Kids are here and today is the birthday party.

I think if you look at the citations you will see that most are seat belts and such and things that were not necessary to police. I believe that you don't need outside help. I think it is a waste of taxpayer money. These people come to pray for peace and they basically police themselves and need you as back up.. the local you. All the presence of guns and vests scares the people and especially the kids who then get a bad feeling about the event concerning their relationship to the forest service. I am sure John McCall could give you a better look at what could happen.

Would you like to have a meeting with him to discuss it?

For instance, the big biker gatherings all over the place never have police presence and there are thousands of them on bikes and some of them are pretty tough characters.

I think it is because of the long hair, don't you?

I will contact you again about best time for us to talk via phone.

Again, thank you for all your efforts.

Sincerely, Lisa Law

On Jul 16, 2009, at 9:10 AM, Erin Connelly wrote:

For me, the assistance from outside the Santa Fe NF was necessary AND the composition of that assistance team is where I would make changes.

Dear Rainbow Family

USFS-1C
copy

As a gift to your gathering, I have sent the following email/press release to 50 people of my traveling family of hippies and also a select cadre of Federal Law Enforcement officers who are part of my former brotherhood of sorts. This is a gift of peace to you from someone who you may once have seen as an enemy, but whom you have met as a friend. Please echo these words however you choose amongst OUR families as a mirror of my love....

Walking in Peace on the battleground Earth,
A lightworker.....

Greetings friends and fellow travelers, LEOs, etc.

As some of you know I've been riding a strange wave of self-discovery and healing through my personal battles with depression and PTSD and new motherhood. Anyway, I am pleased to announce that my new/former strong self has reemerged and I am back on a path of happiness, compassion and dharma.

My recent 2 weeks or so have taken me on a strange journey to Utah, through Hovenwoep, walking barefoot along the sandstone rims of the canyons of the ancients with the old structures still standing in the desert sun, my baby (11mos) on my back and my toddler in hand, feeling certain I had walked that land, in that way, once before, in another time, another body. On the return voyage I gave a ride to a Navajo man stranded in the desert with no water in 105 degree heat

wearing all black. He marveled at how all the trucks pulling boats through the desert kept passing him by. When he finally sat down, gave up, I showed up and stopped. Shortly thereafter, together, we stopped to help a van full of Rainbow Family hippies on their way to Federal Court in Albuquerque, NM to appear for minor violations such as taillights out and cracked windshields, as the massive law enforcement forces in the form of Federal Marshalls, USFS LEOs in vehicles and on mounted horseback, scores of wildland fire teams, etc. have likewise gathered to both persecute and protect these people.

I was curious. As all of you know I have worked on multiple sides of these proverbial fences. So, I took the kids and a bunch of books, food for 100 people, medical supplies, drums, toys, musical instruments, art supplies for the kids and camping gear to see what I could do with it all. I arrived.

Well, what I experienced was nothing less than battleground Earth. A pristine meadow in the Jemez Mountains that I adore and have explored with my family for the last 3 years has been blessed as hallowed ground by the faded generation of 60s political activists and outlaws as well as many noted Hopi and Navajo holy shamans. The forest itself now has about 2000 people living in it who have created enormous kitchens of downed wood, including counters, full size clay ovens, 3'x4'x6' fire pits, swing sets, zip lines, tarp cities and a generalized ecological nightmare. But I came to help, and despite the scene that left my leave no trace wilderness ethics shuddering, I chose to stay. A bunch of beautiful people chose to act randomly out of kindness and helped me carry my load to Kids Camp where I chose to land my proverbial and personal 'space ship'. I alternately wore my savored hippy garb of

yesteryear and my NPS uniform ball cap and remaining fleece jacket, complete with nametag and badge patch. I explained who I was, how I worked for both sides and I came in peace. I met a Buddhist priest and learned some amazing things I already knew. Basically no one save 2 or 3 people came to eat at my neat little LNT kitchen. I made the food myself with my children and carried it to the big gathering kitchens where I presume it was gobbled up. I never got most of my utensils or serving trays back, though I tried a couple of times. I decided that my precious books and toys, which I intended to use to create a small universe-city, could not be shared and thereby sacrificed, since given the actions I had seen, I couldn't be certain anyone present really knew how to care for and be gentle to things in the moment, each and every moment, in a vast collection of moments, as I try to do. For it was by modeling those types of series of actions that I had acquired my treasures, of course. As for the medical gear and my self described 'paramagic' skills, licensed by the state even, I was told where to go to practice, however inevitable and unpredictable circumstances of life prevented me from finding the time and opportunity to serve. Once I came home and researched things on the internet, I came to understand that in all of the last 3 years of gatherings the district rangers of the USFS lands were all pleased with the MONTHS LONG cleanup efforts the Rainbow Family volunteers executed. So despite the temporary destruction, redemption eventually came to be. The nearby towns made money. Some residents were angry about traffic issues, hunting and logging permit issues, drug use, public nudity, etc. But you'd only see any of it if you went right to the site, really. And only if you were at the right place at

the right time, actually.

The night my children and I stayed in our tent at the gathering, the drumming lasted until dawn, the wandering trippers passing by with headlamps, the takers of my homemade ice cream convinced I was an angel from the heavens sent to meet their souls' cravings. I told them I was a former federal LEO. And an angel. They appeared puzzled, but asked no further questions. In the morning I awoke to the birds and not a single human soul visible or seemingly awake. At last, I was alone in MY forest of experience but was yet surrounded by a sea of 2000 people claiming to be my family, whom I could not see and did not need to interact with or even meet face to face to simply know that they were there, in the flesh, at last. For after all, the evidence of their presence was, indeed, all around. It was divine! And ugly.

Later on, after breakfast, I was alarmed by calls of "6-up!" echoing throughout the woods, all around me, drawing nearer.

Suddenly my little LNT camp was surrounded with no less than 7 LEOs of 3 different agencies with massive weaponry. The exchange began, uncannily enough, when the US Marshall said, "see, now this is where I would camp" as the brigade approached. Of course they would find the camp that most clearly mirrored their own reflection - for they too love the forest and came to wander through it, in one way or another - and therefore gravitated towards me, someone like them. And because I had none of the stuff they were looking for, that they would have to "deal" with, we were instead able to simply speak of our commonalities of thought for about 20 minutes, and at last I explained fully to someone present who I was, what I came to do, why I didn't work for the government anymore,

how camping with 2 kids solo was still a lot easier than hanging off the edge of the cliff in a litter taking care of the dead and dying and driving the roads punishing those I had been given the authority to discriminate against at my own discretion, based on the judgment others had set forth before me. Once they put the story together, they were SHOCKED that I was a LEO. Obviously just like them. But seemingly not. They asked no further questions. It was a pleasant exchange, and during that time a Rainbow elder took many photos of our contact, my 3 year-old in a blue tie-dye shirt that said "future paramedic" with the EMS star of life on it in the foreground, the guns in the background, the loveliness of the forest all around, my 'bombproof' camp and confidence standing strong in the center of the frame. To think one woman and two children could meet the firing squad, surrender our simple ammo, show our complex weapons, and yet be spared! By my own brothers! What peace! But what ugliness those moments of beauty cost in the experience it took to achieve it. Afterwards, I was scared shitless at how my fearlessness at nothing in the face of everything had actually felt. And at the time, those officers seemed to me to be confused by my story and my appearance, indicated they had no idea what to make of me, and therefore knew they had no business with me. And so they wandered off, in search of someone who made enough nonsense they could get a hold of them and do something someone had trained them to do with that kind of person. And the cameraman elder left. And me and my kids sat and ate a pancake alone and cried because no one came over to see if we were okay. Maybe because they knew we already knew we were, even if it didn't look like we did?

Did it have to end in this kind of separation so often? Even

when we looked ourselves in the eye and saw the connection? The similarity? The oneness that we shared? Even when one guy took pictures with a camera and 10 of us people or so in our minds' eye can replay that movie of our life? Ten of us or so shared that moment, and I didn't want it to fade away to nothing, because it was, truly everything. All in a moment: US Marshalls, USFS, Rainbow ELDER press crew and security, Buddhist priest, mother, probably a father amongst the bunch somewhere, a little boy, a baby girl, nature and Earth, sky-wind-breath had an actual conversation and made physical connection with guns ablaze and hearts afire. And we spoke kindly and softly and took only memories, left only footprints and then walked on by to the next thing.....safely, alive, together and then separate again. But there I sat fading away in greif because me, the mother with the babies, had done all that work to win the war and no one even realized ALL sides HAD finally won, at least for a moment. ONE! WON! Won what? THE war of course. DON'T YOU GET IT? IT HAS HAPPENED! WE MADE PEACE! At least one piece of peace. And that is ENOUGH. Here's why: all of you reading this sometime eventually and ME ALONE at this time writing it and creating the story of its happening echoes that moment over and over and over. Drum. Resonate. Think it, feel it, know it, you are being it if you do this and can read. Don't let the signifigance of the silence you are left in NOW escape you this time, please.....

And only the trees remain to remember so that's why I needed to use these few pages to remind you of that.

Back to that fading away.....I didn't think it had to, but it did in that moment, I suppose, or it wouldn't have gone that way. Kind of like a lot of other times I've been through, but its strange every time. Anyway, I'm pretty sure I bought a few people plenty of time to run around in the woods with words and shovels so they could bury whatever they felt needed burying or announce whatever they thought was coming. I saw a lot of that.

Later, I spoke with the Buddhist priest and explained how I felt all freaked out about this crazy war over nothing and everything all at the same time. I felt torn between my two worlds, energetically ravaged by the magnitude of the totality of my experience of the collision of all that I have been and will ever be. And this is the complexity of the social battle within the confines of the Earth that is so naturally simplistic that all of us face, whatever so-called gathering we choose or inadvertently find ourselves a part of.

I drove home with the kids and our empty cooler on the last dredges of gas and no cell phone battery, through a deluge of rain and lightening, unable to contact my literal family to tell them where I was headed or where I had been. I had no money, no wallet, just hope. And a bottle of water I had salvaged. Just had to be in that moment. For a while anyway. Apparently, it was enough. In our house, in the neighboring city, eventually, we rested, and thought about what to do with it all, about it all. How to contribute to a sea of madness and not just add to the chaos? But rather, free myself of the complex emotion generated by the inevitable conflicts, and despite it all, simply add love and a piece of hope: the hope that I might again be 'welcomed home' by the family to claim what was truly mine (the

stuff I actually brought) - as a friend or an enemy - so I could take it to the home in my house where I know its safe and OK, whatever it was or is, or will ever be. Now that would be beautiful.

My husband and I returned a few days later to get our stuff. It had rained a lot in our absence. It was a mud city. Lots of people recognized me and said hello, 'loving you' and 'welcome home', but no one helped us carry our stuff up the 1/2 mile waterbogged trail w/ 2 kids. Before leaving, I played drums along the road in the 'barking lot' where the dogs lived, wearing my NPS uniform. I talked to a 60-year old hippy who wanted my hat. Another one wanted to know why the eagle feather off his hat had been confiscated 4 years earlier by some officer I didn't know, in a storyline of experience he wouldn't tell me about in any kind of detail. I explained I didn't know, that perhaps he should have asked those questions to the one with the answers when he had a chance. He said the guy wasn't taking questions, and I said some people are like that. And I replied no the other guy couldn't have my hat, not unless I could have his life. He asked again, but I said nothing back. Perhaps not obvious to him, but it of course cost me a part of mine to get the damn thing, for whatever it was worth. Priceless. They told me where I had parked was 'elite parking' and we couldn't stay more than 2 hours. I thought about the days when I had issued tickets for the same thing and laughed at the uncanny switch I had achieved in that moment. Joy in the game, now on the other side. Always in the right, both he and I. Like Scarface said in the Godfather, "I always tell the truth, even when I'm lying." It is inevitable. The transparency of the duality of those two moments of my life experience

finally transcendent, and enlightened, all at once. My husband then replied, "oh good we used to be elitists so this space is perfect for us".

We decided to drive away then. Go back home, as it were. Where we were welcome. We didn't need that particular space anymore, for others had laid claim before we had, this we acknowledged, even if we too had come before them once upon a time. Besides, we had already had a parking space just like it someplace else. We'd of course been there before, felt it in our hearts, knew it in our minds. It even has an address!! Now go figure that!

And now, I am writing this. As of this moment we still have to go back and pull out the rest of our gear, for we plan to need it again. And anyway, the journey to the gathering, where all separation ends, where the all the colors are apparent, and the black and white is clear enough, and the shades of gray are all around, and everything feels good enough, at least for me, and probably for some others, for now, is complete. I don't need to be THERE to stay right where I AM: home. With the family. Because we're everywhere now of course, just as we always have been. Even if some of us don't know it quite yet. Be patient. We are all still practicing. In ONE way or another.

As for our stuff, I'm sure its just fine, and I know right where it is, in that forest, on that battleground, in a little piece of heaven that I know about called Earth. And even if I can't have it right this minute, I know its mine and I can get it back whenever I choose to go and get it. And the best of all and craziest thing is: I'm not mad. I'm not even confused. And this letter is proof that at least I FOR ONE knew exactly what to do with the experience of life, asked the right questions, and

found the person to answer them when the time was right. And that person was me of course - the only one who could really and truly answer such a strange and useful question that I had posed to myself in the first place, even though I had asked it of others. And if you too ask these same questions, and want some answers, then the ONE to pose them to is you, of course, the only one who can answer those same questions for YOURself. You might, as I did, need some FAMILY to help you get there though. And, you might meet some OTHER ONES along the way who teach you some things you need to know in order to find the way. And because of this: despite where I've been, and in spite of where I might go, even if I don't know it now, and because of where I am right at this moment -- I have found peace, and I am in love with it all, every last drop.

And at this moment I also know that somewhere in the mountains of my own imagination, there are Rainbows and LEOs - people - just like me, out there, hashing it out, just like I did/do/am. And because they have all chosen to be there in whatever capacity they could, that means the battleground we hate is finally turning into the Earth we love. And when I met all those people in the flesh, and we had our moment together, some hated me for what I looked like at the time, others loved me for what I did for them some times. Only they were the ones who couldn't see it's all the same thing. But at last, I could! Even in the moment! Even in the moments after. Even in the moments I know are ahead. Even in the moments that have now passed. And because of that, I know the other ones who are still on their journey, in the moment they choose to awake, will be just like me, in their own way, ONE day. And if we're lucky, they'll do it again, and again, and again, just as I have. More and

more complete as the times go by and the moments add up. Picking up the pieces ONE BY ONE, ALL FOR ONE, ONCE AND FOR ALL.

A number of years ago the US government decimated all life on a small island off the coast of Florida, just to see what would happen. They waited. They returned each year. They observed. By 10 years later, all life had returned, but it all looked different than it had before. But life came. The Rainbows go into areas and seemingly decimate the life there. For 6 weeks. Then they stay for 3 months and reseed and rehabilitate the area as best they can until everyone seems happy with the outcome and decide 'it' is over. That is to say, the black and white see the shades of gray between the colored lines and life goes back to being what it always has been like. And they eventually come to say that the Rainbows came and went and stuff happened and then after awhile it seemed like you wouldn't know and couldn't tell if anything had ever gone on at all.

Many of you receiving this are hippies. Many are law enforcement. All of you love the wild places. Some of you like to use the resources you find in those spaces when you go there, and savor them slowly for awhile. Others of you like to take your own things and travel softly and swiftly and leave not a trace. Its all the same thing. Just looks different depending on which side you choose. Most of us have tried them both by now. The simplicities and core results of each are often the same, and the diversity of the possible paths of both have vast consequences too complex to ever fully contemplate or know. That's just the way it is, from whatever aspect you choose to judge it, from whatever authority your discretion is rooted in.

I am writing this as a beacon of hope and a message of peace from a tiny island on Earth, here in my wilderness backyard, where I am both a local and merely a passer through, where I have found that a strange kind of space has been created where I can walk with god/goddess, be who I am, fear nothing, love everything, live it all, see it for what it is, know the contradictions of what it isn't, and in the end, be happy to have been blessed with the opportunity to experience such a strangely colored rainbow of black and white interwoven with shades of gray (and green).

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Namaste.



Stay at Home Mom

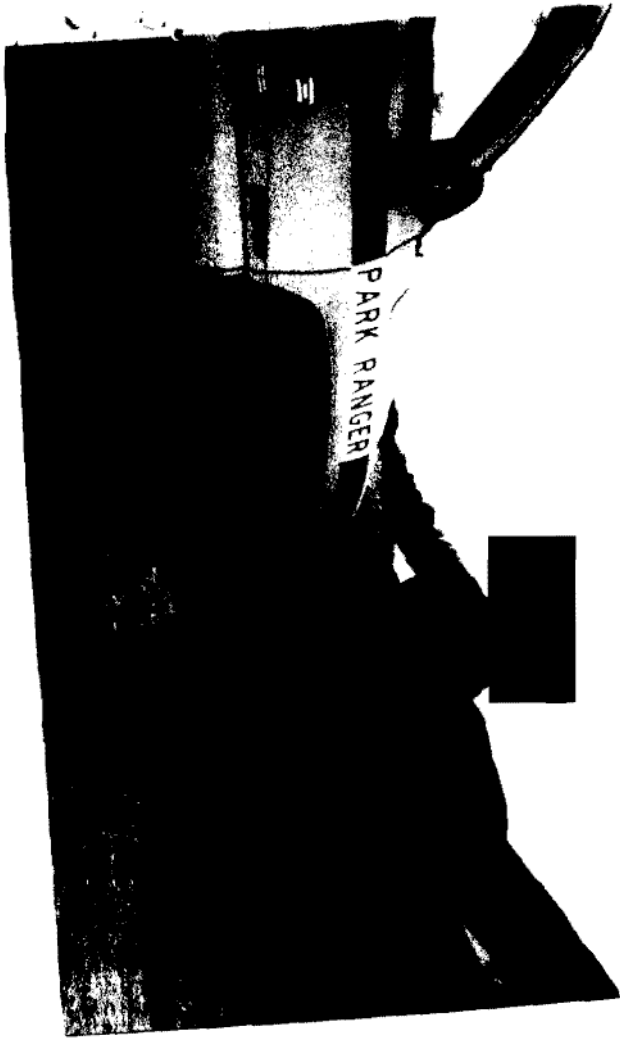
NM licenced and NREMT registered Paramedic

Former National Park Service Ranger, Law Enforcement

NOLS instructor/LNT trainer

Rainbow Family newcomer and old soul

Loving you!!! Thank you for every THING!!! I'll be seeing you all ways...



mccalljo@nmia.com

06/11/2009 08:32 PM

Please respond to
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To peacetribe@wildrockies.org

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Subject Re: Fwd: Re: McCall's rap on -- Non-violence and the
Rainbow Gathering -- YES WE CAN GATHER IN PEACE

What is all this? I believe all are acting in good intention and doing their best. Four weeks ago I spoke with the Justice Department attorneys representing the DEA in the New Mexico Marijuana rescheduling lawsuit and told them that the battle is over and we must talk because the leaders of our government are now enlightened and carry wisdom as the guide to policy. They were dumbfounded because I told them that Attorney General Holders March statement on medical marijuana was a real transformation in policy. They said these were only words in answer to a question. Yet low and behold our highest law enforcement officer came to ABQ last week and repeated these words. NO more prosecution of legal medical marijuana producers and users. And so I see the Forest Service is prepared to call off the LEOs and allow resource to administer and request LEOs if needed if I read their letter correctly. I stand here in New Mexico with what appears to be a legal team and I know that a new day has dawned and our government wants to make peace with all of its people. I must emphasize that the absence of guns in our church is one of the most powerful things that could ever happen to unleash the true power of love at Rainbow and I will pray and petition my Family to respect and give the opportunity for a transformation under the authority of my President "Baracka" Obama. May ALL beings be happy. Ho.

Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile

From: peacetribe@wildrockies.org

Date: Thu, 11 Jun 2009 19:06:35 -0600

To: John McCall <mccalljo@nmia.com>

Subject: Fwd: Re: McCall's rap on -- Non-violence and the Rainbow Gathering --- YES WE CAN GATHER IN PEACE

howdy,

[[[[this Rap is in reference to the supposed theft of (Incident Command) LEO gear in Albuquerque]]]]

(re: File Code: 1550-2/2720-2, Date: June 9, 2009, to: Mr. Garrick Beck)

YES WE CAN:

understand nasty trap the Incident Creation Team, with jeff Kline, is setting for the people -- THIS IS NOT GOOD.

as a long-time gatherer upon hearing this news comment was: sounds like a total SET-UP by the LEOs to cast blame on the Gathering and Gatherers... a "search" could now be undertaken

behind these supposed thefts.... knowing the way the LEOs have been... i can see it happening... ridiculous...

AND, coyote McCall relates as how he sees the letter of June 9th to Garrick with its emphasis NOT on Law Enforcement as some sort of "breakthrough"...

1. the Resource folks have always wanted to work with the Gatherers... with few exceptions...

2. the ONLY good thing about that Letter is the fact it shows the OUTRAGEOUS CORRUPTION on the part of the Forest service -- using Jeff Kline and others in their licensing scheme to corrupt the rights of the people...

The Letter, obviously, has a mixture of contradictory statements... it is a mish mash of rap... and some of the rap.. i.e. the stuff about the PEOPLE ON THE LAND ARE WHO IS THE FOLKS WHO THE FOREST SERVICE SHOULD WORK WITH.. among other stuff.. is the RAP I HAVE SOUGHT FOR 40 YEARS for the Forest Service to accept, recognize, etc...

I been to Federal Prison, as have many others... literally thousands of people have been cited and searched, harassed unendingly... and all this time if I (and others) only knew..

Over 22 Court Cases.. all with the purpose of seeking to CHANGE FOREST SERVICE POLICY..

YET... with one LETTER/EMAIL from Jeff Kline (june 6)... the Forest Service ALTER THEIR APPLICATION OF THE REGULATION POLICIES IN WRITING... BECAUSE JEFF KLINE (WITH WHOEVER HELPING) SIMPLY SAYS CHANGE...

JEFF KLINE, ALL POWERFUL... ALL KNOWING... ALL CONNECTED... simply writes one email letter to the Forest Service, on the eve of June 6th... and in that letter he composes some rap that he GARNERED FROM MY WRITINGS (and some others) and then COMMANDS THE FOREST SERVICE TO CHANGE THEIR LETTER OF JUNE 1st... "supercede" it with this Letter of June 9th...

VOILA -- 40 Years of Forest Service Policy is suddenly changed...

This Letter signed by Mr. Zepeda, (on behalf of Corbin Newman) with all this additional rap concerning the Gathering and the "Rainbow Family" WAS NOT CONCEIVED NOR WRITTEN (SOLELY) BY CORBIN NEWMAN...

NO, JEFF KLINE... wrote these words... and Corbin Newman (i believe) was DIRECTED/ORDERED to change his June 1st Letter, (which named Jeff Kline as a "permit signer") AND write all this stuff about the PEOPLE ON THE LAND...

words that were written by JEFF KLINE but NOT understood by Jeff

JEFF KLINE WORDS?: (yEP)

{{ "We understand that there is no legally constituted "group" or non-profit corporation known as the "Rainbow Family" and that no individuals can speak for or act for the "Rainbow Family" and that no individuals can speak for or act as legal representatives of the collective group of individuals who wish to gather and camp together in a National Forest in New Mexico in June and early July of 2009. We understand that rather than having leaders, decisions are reached collectively in council at the site where people are camping."

"We are already in contact with more than one individual planning to attend this year's Gathering who would prefer for us to issue a permit without requiring a signature from an attendee, but are willing to sign the permit in his/her capacity as an individual contact person should we so require. Accordingly, since we have already identified more than one person willing to sign, we are planning for the 2009 National Rainbow Family Gathering to be a legally permitted event"
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One of Jeff Kline co-horts (friend?) read part of Jeff's Letter/email to Corbin (oF June 6th)... AND THIS RAP IS WHAT SHE READ ME...

and this woman (told me) Jeff Kline had told her Jeff's son is a Felon... so Jeff made a deal so his son could come to the Gathering.... apparently, according to this woman, (L.D., in Colorado) Jeff told her his son could not come unless there was a "permit".

This is some sad rap... and I am not sure Jeff's son is a Felon? Did Jeff lie to this woman? seems likely?

***** YES, the Resource folks would like a LEO-free event.... and Rainbow Gatherers would like a LEO-free event... *****

MEANwhile, Jeff KLINE makes deals with Incident Command Smithson, Mary McCormick (Jay Jensen office), and Chief of Forest Service Kimbell...

And, without a doubt, the Incident Creation Team wants and will use every excuse or opportunity or create an opportunity (i.e. this so-called theft, etc. OR, if not this something else)

to do their HARASSMENT AND SEARCH MODE...

The JUNE 9th LETTER IS A JOKE LETTER... and is useful for one thing and one alone:

TO SHOW THE CORRUPTION OF THE FOREST SERVICE... to show to what lengths they will go to thwart the Gathering and Gatherers...

DEALS MADE BY JEFF KLINE, the Forest Service Law Enforcement and/or who else???

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i believe the Resource folks are and will work cooperatively with the gatherers... in a good way...IF GIVEN THE CHANCE.. i know many of these Resource folks, personally, from working with them in 1995 New Mexico Gathering...

i believe the LAW ENFORCEMENT will do whatever they can legally ... or ILLEGALLY to harass the people coming to Gather...

i believe the OLE GUARD of the Forest Service are carrying out their nefarious "licensing scheme" and will every tactic... every ugly tactic... to CREATE an OPPORTUNITY TO JUMP THE PEOPLE OF THE GATHERING...

i believe that YES WE CAN GATHER IN PEACE.. and i believe that if President Obama knew about what was happening he would NOT ALLOW IT...

and I believe YES WE CAN call out to President Obama... and that YES WE CAN catch his attention and YES HE WILL stop the Federal abuses of Power...

Coyote, don't be fooled by this Letter of June 9th....

for whatever reasons jeff kline is helping the Feds and (apparently) is in their clutches... and Jeff Kline doesn't understand a single word that he has written -- words he got out of the writings and mouths of many other people... if he did he would not seek to deny the rights of all the other individuals, etc. who want to come Home in Peace.... he would come to a Circle, ON THE LAND, and ASK THE PEOPLE IF THEY WANT HIM TO SIGN (or anyone)...

EVERY CIRCLE EVER HELD HAS FAILED TO FIND CONSENSUS FOR SOMEONE TO SIGN "PERMIT" FOR THE GATHERING...

IF Jeff Kline could only understand what he is doing... wow, he could EXPOSE THE CORRUPTION...

PERMIT SIGNING IS ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF CORRUPTION AND OPPRESSION BY THE INCIDENT COMMAND (creation) TEAM, and the policy people behind them...

"and the times they are a'changin'" - b. dylan

for Justice

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Date: Thu, 11 Jun 2009 17:52:08 -0600

The Gathering is an event that centers around Peace and the desire for Peace.

Per Channel 13 (CBS) Today there was a breakin at the Hotel where the FS Law Enforcement is staging for the Gathering in Albuquerque. The LEOs had their computers and guns stolen. The computers were found burning on the west mesa. Police found tire tracks there and footprints at the hotel? The LEO interviewed was very much upset.

I am sure that this could likely be some local ABQ vandal/thieves as we have one of the highest auto-burglary rates in the entire US. Still, we must remember that this is an opportunity for the Rainbow Family to remember our roots in non-violence and Peace. While the removal of weapons from any space is always a good thing, the way this is done is by focusing the energy of peace like a laser on all the hearts and souls involved and melting away the need for the use of any force.

The letter Plunker shared regarding resource is astounding – the possibility that this Gathering will be as free of law enforcement as any in history is so exciting. I look forward to working to Honor the FS transformation with all of you.

Peace,

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