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Mr. Mike McReynolds Skinner & Co. 110 Sutter Street Suite 1003 San Francisco. CA 94104

Dear Mike:

It looks like you have a super summer planned. And I think your opportunity to co-author future editions of CANADIAN ROCKIES TRAIL GUIDE is the best excuse I've seen in a while to stay out on the trail.

Apparently, though, you will be back in time for our gettogether in the San Francisco-Bay area. Since your last letter was a little slow in reaching me, I made the following plans without having the benefit of hearing from you. I asked Jack Gilbert, a Vice President of North Face and a Director of AHS, if he could make room at his facilities in Berkeley. He said he could and he would be happy to host a no-host get-together for people interested in the cross-country hike. So we set the time for Thursday evening, September 20th. I am planning to come into town the evening of the 18th. It sounds like you will just have returned from your month and a half of hiking, but perhaps we can get together before the meeting. Enclosed is the most recent memo on the cross-country hike. I believe you have received the previous ones. We will hold the meeting at North Face's 1011 Gilman Street office in Berkeley, not the Fifth Street address given in the memo. We will notify the attendees in our next memo of this address change.

We're going to be notifying all the Californians on the AHS membership roster of this meeting as well as all the people who have written specifically about the cross-country hike and any others in the Bay area we can think of. We'll need a couple of key people in the area to follow up on our plans after the meeting. I'm hopin you might be one of these. Incidentally, we have invited Governor Brown to our departure celebration. Of course, we want a lot of conservation-minded people in the Bay area to be there too.

You were concerned about the route out of the San Francisco area and other logistical problems. Dr. Glenn Seaborg, formeer

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chairman of the AEC and now at Berkeley, is our State Planner for California and has got just about all of the details worked out. His address is in the enclosed material should you want to get ahold of him. We have at least one individual in every state, except Kansas, working on our route, so we really have made a lot of headway so far.

Hope this catches you up.

Cordially,

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