

September 26, 2017
Eric Babson
babson@math.ucdavis.edu
1094 Cragmont Avenue
Berkeley CA, 94708

Dear Mr President:

I am concerned by environmental damage. This country has long led the way with the Interior Department and the EPA as well as an extensive system of federally protected lands. This has been a great boon to keeping natural areas to visit and also to keeping populated areas from killing us. The ongoing disaster in Flint and the terrible hurricane season serve as reminders of what can go wrong. Secretary Zinke appears to be working hard to destroy this system... sabotage that will take decades to undo. He has been demoralizing his workforce, arbitrarily reassigning managers and scientists, threatening mass layoffs on top of the existing hiring freeze and making vague sweeping accusations of disloyalty. Deputy Secretary Bernhardt is at the same time rolling back important regulations for the short term benefit of his previous clients. This will force others to act irresponsibly to remain competitive and leave us open to more oil disasters.

Please assure me that you will protect our environment.

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our government for the people.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson