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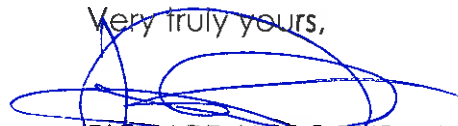
Re: The United States Senate Amendment to H.R. 4849

Dear Mr. Speaker:

This letter is being sent from the Backcountry Horsemen of California, High Sierra Unit, Public Lands Committee, which represent a significant percentage of the private stock users who utilize Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks wilderness areas. We take this opportunity to thank you for all of the work you and the House of Representatives have done to save the stock use season in Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks and the hundreds of jobs in the balance. Without the leadership and commitment of the House it would have not been possible to secure legislative relief, particularly given the obstacles encountered in the Senate.

We support the Senate amendment to H.R. 4849, the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Backcountry Access Act. It is our view that the bill will restore the stock season in Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks and will allow us to continue to operate for years to come. We will not need future action from Congress on this specific issue and we will work with the National Park Service in the future to address any additional concerns that may arise.

Very truly yours,



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Co-Chair

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