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September 2, 2026

The Honorable Doug Burgum
Secretary
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

Ms. Jessica Bowron
Comptroller, Exercising the Delegated
Authority of the Director
National Park Service
1849 C Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Burgum and Ms. Bowron:

I write in strong opposition to recent reports that the National Park Service (NPS) is working to parcel off part of Yosemite National Park in California to give to a private real-estate developer.¹ Under the alleged proposal, land within Yosemite National Park would be ceded to the developer to construct a road that connects private property to the park.

I am outraged by this alleged action that threatens Yosemite's natural resources at the expense of private real-estate developers. Yosemite National Park was created in 1890 and since then our nation has worked together to protect its precious ecosystem and natural wonders, including Half Dome and the giant sequoia trees. This agency proposal runs counter to over 135 years of protecting this land in California for both wildlife and the public.

The NPS was created in 1916 to protect our precious natural resources and to promote and regulate national parks, monuments, and reservations to "conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."² This proposed land exchange is contrary to the NPS's 150 years of work to protect our national parks and Congress' intent when it created the agency.

Californians deserve transparency regarding this alleged proposal. Therefore, I request the following information:

1. A list of pending land parcels NPS has identified to exchange.

¹ Anna Kramer, *Trump's Quietly Working to Give Part of Yosemite to a Private Developer*, NOTUS (August 28, 2026), <https://www.notus.org/agencies/trump-administration-yosemite-private-developer-deal>.

² National Archives, The Center for Legislative Archives, H.R. 15522, An Act to establish a National Park Service, engrossed August 5, 1916, (July 24, 2019), <https://www.archives.gov/legislative/features/national-park-service/nps.html>.

2. A list of U.S. Department of Interior and NPS actions taken to initiate a land exchange involving Yosemite National Park.
3. All communications between U.S. Department of Interior and Kingsbarn Realty Capital or its affiliates.
4. All communications between NPS and Kingsbarn Realty Capital or its affiliates.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Luis Correa", with a stylized flourish at the end.

J. Luis Correa
Member of Congress