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## PARKS CANADA COMMENTS

The following is the text of a letter dated July 10, 1975, from G. M. Davison of Parks Canada, 114 Garry St., Winnipeg, to Maureen Rever:

I read your paper on "A Grasslands Park — Yes or No" with a great deal of interest. The concerns expressed by you are relevant and are concerns of a large number of Canadians. We are also concerned with these matters and we hope that the following approach will give many people the opportunity of making their views known to us and to the Saskatchewan Government.

Parks Canada and the Saskatchewan Government are now in the process of drafting an information booklet for the Grasslands hearings, which will be sent out to interested groups and to people in the immediate area of the proposed Park. This booklet will be distributed around mid-August, thus giving the general public a chance to evaluate the contents prior to any public meetings.

On or about September 15th, the Saskatchewan Government and Parks Canada will commence holding a series of information-type meetings at various locations in the Province of Saskatchewan. These meetings are to

be held with the intent to clarify any misunderstandings that may develop as people evaluate the contents of the booklet.

The information-type meetings will be followed by public hearings which will commence in late fall. Again these meetings will be held in various locations in the Province of Saskatchewan, thus giving all interested groups and individuals an opportunity to make their views known.

Your comments on biased information were well taken and to avoid this pitfall we will be trying to present all information as straightforward as possible. In addition to this, an independent chairman will be appointed for the public hearings, thereby reducing the chance of biased opinion from influencing any final decisions.

The commission of enquiry will be submitting their report to the two ministers sometime in December or early January which will outline the degree of support for the proposed Park. Afterwards the Saskatchewan Government will be in a position to make a decision on the proposal. Yours sincerely, G. M. Davison, Director.