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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

San Francisco Dec 12, 1892

John Muir Esq
Martinez Cal
Dear Sir.

As Special Agent of the Gen Land Office
I was directed by the Hon Commissioner to
examine and locate the boundaries of the
proposed Tulare Forest Reservation, as asked
for by a petition, signed by citizens of Fresno
Tulare and Kern Counties - also asked for by
The American Forestry Association -

I have completed the examination of said
Reservation - and am now at work on my
report - to the Department - at Washington.

I understand that there is likely
to be some opposition or protests made
to its acceptance by the Department.

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This opposition will come from the
Shap men, ^{x & their friends} who have used this land
for pastorage for a number of years.

The friends of the Reservation do not come
to the front as they ought to do. and when
the matter comes up for action by the
Hon Secretary. the chances are that
while there is likely to be numerous
protests against the Reservation - there will
be nothing from its friends. Sustaining it.

I would like to have a communication
from you to accompany my report and
from any other friendly source.

Yours very Respectfully

B. K. Allen

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