



open to visits by the public during the fire season. These lookouts may be reached by road or trail. Their locations are marked on the map. The personnel in charge of these posts welcome visitors but must not be distracted from their lookout duties.

Oyster Bay, N.Y.
July 13, 1908

My dear Mrs. Cleveland:

It has recently been my privilege to sign a proclamation changing the name of the San Jacinto National Forest to the Cleveland National Forest. May I express to you the very great pleasure it gave me to take that action--a pleasure mingled with a keen sense of the loss to our country and to our citizens in the death of President Cleveland? On February 22, 1897, President Cleveland signed the proclamation creating the San Jacinto Forest Reserve in Southern California. The date, February 22, was no mere accident, since the signature of the proclamation was timed to coincide with the birthday of our first President.

President Cleveland was one of the first to recognize the need of forest preservation, and the creation of the San Jacinto and other Forest Reserves with a total area of 25,686,320 acres was one of the results of his foresight in this direction. Thruout his life he took great interest in conserving the natural resources of the Nation; and I particularly regretted his inability to attend the meeting of the Governors in May, because that meeting was in part the fruit of seed he had sown years before.

The name of Grover Cleveland will always be prominently identified with the movement to protect the forests of the United States, and it seemed to me eminently fitting that one of the forests which he created should bear his name thruout all time.

Sincerely yours,

Theodore Roosevelt
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland
Princeton, N.J.