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Mr. Bruce E. Schundler
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Dear Mr. Schundler:

This letter is in initial response to your July 31, 2009, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, made to the Intermountain Region (IMR) of the National Park Service, for certain "...budget documents..." etc., related to Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado. Your request has been assigned request number #09-145.

It is the policy of the NPS to: (1) make records of the NPS available to the public to the greatest extent possible in keeping within the spirit of the FOIA; (2) make documents requested under the FOIA available at the earliest possible date while, at the same time, protecting the rights of the individuals involved and the administrative processes surrounding such rights; and (3) withhold documents falling within one of the FOIA exemptions only if disclosure is prohibited by either statute, regulation an/or Executive Order (EO).

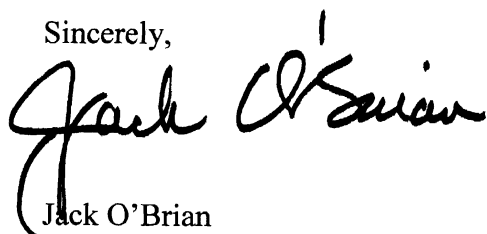
Again, your request is being processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 United States Code 552); United States Department of the Interior ("Department") implementing regulations found at 43 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2, Subparts A through E, beginning at 2.1; and the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 United States Code 552a). Please be advised that additional FOIA and/or Privacy Act guidance /regulations may also be found at either the Department's web site, www.doi.gov/foia or at the United States Department of Justice web site, www.usdoj.gov.

Please be advised that you will receive a formal response to your request no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter.

Thank you for your interest in Mesa Verde National Park and the National Park Service.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jack O'Brian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Jack O'Brian

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