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Inventory for FOIA Request 2014-0453-F

Records on the Creation of the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument through Presidential Proclamation 8327 on December 5, 2008

Extent

9 folders, approximately 229 pages / 651 assets

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to George W. Bush Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 2201) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance

Official records of George W. Bush's presidency are housed at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2018. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 07/16/2020

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2014-0453-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

FOIA 2014-0453-F requested records related to the creation of the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument through Presidential Proclamation 8327 on December 5, 2008.

The textual records for this FOIA primarily contain general correspondence, maps, briefing papers, schedules, scheduling requests, handwritten notes, talking points, remarks, invitations, internet printouts, and barcode scanning sheets. Schedules include the final schedule for President Bush for December 5, 2008 as well as draft schedules for the upcoming weeks. The

briefings are for each presidential event for December 5, 2008 which included the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument proclamation signing, media interviews, photo opportunities, and a holiday reception. The remarks and talking points relate to the media interviews and the proclamation ceremony. Also included are draft versions of the invitation to the proclamation signing ceremony and President Bush's handwritten notes from the meeting.

The electronic records for this FOIA primarily contain draft and final proclamations, talking points, speechwriting forms, briefing papers for the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument signing ceremony, copies of a memorandum to the Secretaries of Defense and the Interior which directed them to investigate the potential declaration of a national monument in the Pacific, press pool reports, routine correspondence between the Council on Environmental Quality and the Departments of Defense and the Interior related to the proposed national monument, routine correspondence related to scheduling of a proclamation signing ceremony, routine correspondence clearing draft documents for publication, correspondence from outside interest groups related to the proposed national monument, correspondence related to posting of the final proclamation on the White House website, requests for copies of proclamations, the schedules for President Bush and First Lady Laura Bush, and summaries of Cabinet member schedules.

Please note that a portion of classified records related to this request has not yet been processed. Additional records will be provided as they become available.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2014-0453-F are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Documents responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files, Staff Member Office Files, and George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level.

The WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories including a detailed description of each category is available in our research room and on our website at www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu

Staff Member Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member Office Files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

The Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by President George W. Bush. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House's electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

The following is a list electronic search results list (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0453-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

Exchange contains 611 assets. Shares_WHO contains 25 assets.

Please note that a * *indicates that the collection is entirely processed and open. A more detailed description of the material is available in the finding aid for that office or category.*

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - FG001-07 (Briefing Papers)

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Subject Files - PA (Parks)*

774605

Subject Files - PA002 (Monuments)*

715314 - 762210

776728

Subject Files - PP (Presidential Personal)

774377

Staff Member Office Files

National Security Council - Records and Access Management

PRS Originals Files

0808477

0808512

Council of Economic Advisers

Kopits, Elizabeth

War in the Pacific Monument Notes

Public Liaison, White House Office of

Irons, A. Kate

Designation of WWII in the Pacific Monument, Friday, 12/05/2008