

# George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

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# **Inventory for FOIA Request 2017-0071-F**

# Correspondence to and from Stephen L. Johnson of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding Specific Topics

#### **Extent**

5 folders, approximately 64 pages / 215 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.

## Copyright

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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 2017-0071-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 2017-0071-F requested correspondence to and from Stephen L. Johnson of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding climate change, carbon dioxide, CO<sub>2</sub>, global warming, ocean acidification, sea level rise, or James Hansen.

This FOIA primarily contains letters from environmental organizations to President George W. Bush about environmental and/or wildlife concerns, routine correspondence from state and other officials to Stephen L. Johnson about environmental concerns, printed webpages, and routine letters from officials to Joshua Bolten about environmental issues. Electronic records primarily

consist of emails related to the Interagency Working Group on Climate Change Science and Technology. This includes emails transmitting invitations and reports, emails regarding scheduling of meetings and other administrative functions, and emails inviting participants to a conference call regarding developments at the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in Brussels in 2007.

#### **System of Arrangement**

The materials in FOIA 2017-0071-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 <a href="https://www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu">www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu</a>

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 of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2017-0071-F:

#### George W. Bush Electronic Records

From Exchange contains 2 assets.

To ARMS contains 21 assets.

ToExchange contains 192 assets.

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## George W. Bush Textual Records

## Box 1

# Records Management, White House Office of

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Subject Files
728600

Subject Files - FG006-03A (Chief of Staff, Office Files)
745274

Subject Files - FG122 (Environmental Protection Agency)
742994
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## **Staff Member Office Files**

Counsel's Office, White House

749634

Flood, Emmet

 $\,$  SJC (Senate Judiciary Committee) Inquiry to Stephen Johnson and EPA July 2008

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