

**SPECIAL ELECTION YEAR SIERRA CLUB OUTINGS!!!** October 1980

In its usual innovative spirit in conservation and environmental matters, the *Delta Sierran* is sponsoring special election-year outings to acquaint its readers with the presidential candidates and their respective environmental positions:

Trip No. 1. *Alaska to Utah with Jimmy Carter*. This outing will begin in Alaska with President Carter displaying proudly the millions of acres of public lands preserved and protected during his administration. The group will proceed to the expansions of Redwoods National Park and Sequoia National Park acquired during the Carter administration. The outing will terminate in Utah where each person will be given a backhoe or a bulldozer to dig up the desert in preparation for the MX missile system.

Trip No. 2. *Alaska to Waterford III with John Anderson*. At the beginning of the trip, Congressman Anderson will collect from each participant 50 cents per each gallon of gasoline to be used on the trip. He will proudly show the 128 million acres of Alaskan public lands which are protected by legislation he co-sponsored. The next stop is the Alaskan pipeline where the candidate with tsk-tsk and shake his head. Then as the group travels south, Mr. Anderson will point out the clean air and water he has supported and protected steadfastly. The trip will stop at Louisiana's Waterford III nuclear power plant where the candidate will remind the group of his long and consistent support of nuclear power. When the trip participants begin to glow in the dark, the trip will be over.

Trip No. 3. *Alaska to the Atchafalaya Basin with Ronald Reagan*. This trip, too, will begin in Alaska. As the group looks over the millions of congressionally protected public lands, Gov. Reagan will explain how much better the wilderness could be managed by private enterprises, freed of government restrictions. He will point out the best sites in the wilderness

for the Howard Johnson's motel, the gas stations, the convenience stores, and the fast-food restaurants. Decrying the "environmental extremists" of the EPA, Gov. Reagan will take the group to sea for a brief whale hunt with nuclear weapons. The last leg of the trip will bring the participants to the Atchafalaya Basin. There they will be given axes, chain saws, bulldozers, etc. to chop down as many trees and plants as possible. This will assist Candidate Reagan's clean-air policy, since he is of the opinion that "eighty percent of our air pollution stems from hydrocarbons released by vegetation."

– Earl Higgins