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JUSTICE DOUGLAS TO LEAD OPEN-PIT PROTEST

Seattle, July 27, 1967 -- On Saturday, August 5, there will be a one-day camp-out to protest Kennecott Copper's proposed open-pit mine above Image Lake in the Clheier Peak Wilderness Area. It will take place at the Sulphur Creek Campground on the Suiattle River Road. This is one mile from the beginning of the 14 mile trail to Image Lake.

Sponsor of the camp-out is the Committee to Stop Kennecott, an ad hoc group whose chairman is David Birkner of Seattle. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and his wife will be there for the brief program at noon and after lunch (each person will furnish his own picnic lunch) Douglas will lead a short hike for those who would like to accompany him. There are also several other good hikes in the area which participants in the campout may wish to try.

Mr. Birkner expects quite a good turnout, but says that
"It is absolutely essential that all those who oppose this mine
be at the camp-out. The only thing that can stop Kennecott is
an aroused public reaction." Mr. Birkner also suggests that,
because of crowded conditions in the campgrounds in the area,
most people will prefer to arrive Saturday morning rather than
try to camp in the area Friday night.

In order to reach the site of the camp-out, go to Darrington, then follow the orange arrows to the Sulphur Creek campground on the Suiattle River Road. In order to minimize traffic problems and to insure a good turnout Birkner suggests that cars going to the Camp-out should be full. Those who can offer rides are urged to call Mrs. Anne Mack (IA 2-7348) who will then put the drivers in touch with those who have called requesting a ride.

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