

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BLUE HOLE Proposed National Park

File No. 0-32  
Part One

PROPOSED NATIONAL PARK  
BLUE HOLE

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*Int Parks*

*Brook -  
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*Clyde Ohio  
November 13 - 1988*

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FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
AND CONSIDERATION

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*Herbert Hoover*  
*Agency to the President*

President of the United States  
Washington D-C -

Dear Mr Hoover

I have a

Proposition I wish to ask you with  
your permission

I have a blue hole to sell

I wish to sell it to the US for a national  
Trout fish Hatchery or a blue hole Park  
The Picture Enclosed of the Natural fishery  
is located on route 12 Midway between Fremont  
and Sandusky Ohio

The Blue Hole covers 2 Acres on a  
12.97 Acres Plot it is larger than the  
Castalia Blue Hole

It has been in our family 100 yrs  
it has been stalked 50 yrs with Brook  
Trout. if there is only one in the United States  
larger than this I wish to sell to  
them for 20,000 Twenty Thousand dollars  
cash and place it as No 2 Nation fishery  
Hatchery and Park come and view it soon  
it is for sale and must go soon

Please send your Permission to Washington  
D.C. Fisheries to buy it if it appeals  
to you Please give me immediate reply  
any thing you say will be appreciated  
and Depend on me and family for next Note

Yours Sincerely

Anna Miller Poock

UNITED STATES  
 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
 WASHINGTON

DEC 10 1933

*Brooks*  
*Brooky*  
*Smalley*

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 Mrs. Anna J. Miller Peacock,

Clyde, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Peacock:

By reference from the President, I am in receipt of your letter of November 13th proposing that the Federal Government acquire what is known as "Blue Hole" near Sandusky, Ohio, for a national park.

It is a well established policy that areas considered for national park purposes must be of outstanding scenic quality, containing examples of unusual natural phenomena or extraordinary results of such phenomena. They must also be of sufficient size to allow the development of tourist facilities on a large and comprehensive scale and also should not duplicate the major characteristics of any existing national park. In other words the policy is that each national park created should be a unique example of its kind, should be of national rather than local or sectional interest and capable of broad comprehensive development for national use. Furthermore, in order to insure adequate and satisfactory Federal administration, protection and preservation, such areas should be entirely free from privately owned lands.

Until recent years areas set aside as national parks have been in the Western States and carved from the public domain. However, during the past few years the establishment of national parks has been provided for in the east to cover lands to be donated without expense to the Government as, for instance, the proposed Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky, the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina and Tennessee. Therefore, the policy followed in establishing national parks when the land is not already owned by the United States is that the land be first turned over to the Government free of charge by local or other interests.

The tract of land you have for sale is smaller than usually required for the development of a national park, but if you believe the above mentioned conditions can be complied with it is suggested that you submit to this Service all of the information you have that would be of an assistance in passing further on the merits of the project.

Sincerely yours,

(SGD.) HORACE M. ALBRIGHT

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT,  
 Director.

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