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Mr. Sam A. Williams, Director  
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Dear Mr. Williams:

I am quite happy to respond to your letter of July 30, requesting an outline of our opinion of the Urban Corps and the interns placed with us this summer.

Through the aid of the Atlanta Parks and Recreation Department and the Southern Regional Education Board, seven interns were assigned to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to aid with the Environmental Education Program and to act as leaders and teachers for youngsters visiting the Park Environmental Study Area from the Atlanta area recreation departments and for the Atlanta School System.

We did not have as many youngsters participate in the program as expected, since the Atlanta School System encountered some problems with their initiation of the twelve-months school program and was not able to participate in our program. By August 22, the Urban Corps interns will have indoctrinated between 2,500 and 3,000 youngsters into our concept of environmental education.

After indoctrination, two of the interns have been placed on a special assignment and have selected and laid out Environmental Education Trails for the Atlanta Parks and Recreation Department at Lake Allatoona, near Marietta, Georgia, and on five Parks within the city limits of Atlanta. They have also prepared, in draft form, teachers' manuals for the future use of leaders in carrying out an Environmental Education Program on Parks and Recreation Department-owned land.

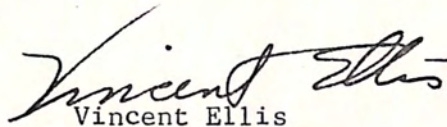


The five interns who have participated principally in leading youngsters through the Environmental Education Trails at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park have also worked during the summer on revising the teachers' manual which we had prepared for this area.

All the interns assigned to Kennesaw Mountain were intelligent, enthusiastic workers. They are a credit to the Urban Corps and to the schools from which they were selected.

We were quite satisfied with the interns selected for our use, and we hope to be able to participate in the Atlanta Urban Corps program in the future.

Sincerely yours,



Vincent Ellis  
Superintendent

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