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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

AS A TRAINED SCIENTIST IN THE
FIELD OF AGRICULTURE I WOULD
LIKE TO SHARE SOME OF MY
EXPERIENCE WITH BHAGWAN SHREE
RAJNEESH,

I STUDIED AT THE SWISS FEDERAL
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN
ZURICH, GRADUATED WITH A
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN 1978,
MY MASTERS THESIS ABOUT THE
MARKETING OF ORGANICALLY GROWN
PRODUCTS WAS PUBLISHED IN
SEVERAL SCIENTIFIC MAGAZINES.
AFTER GRADUATION I WON A
SCHOLARSHIP FOR A FIELD
TRAINING IN AGRICULTURE OF

SEMI ARID CLIMATS WITH THE ②
ISRAELI GOVERNMENT (VOLCANI-CENTE
BEIT-DAGAN, ISRAEL). RESULTS OF
THIS PERIOD ARE PUBLISHED
ALSO.

I CAME IN CONTACT WITH
BHAGWAN SHREE RAJNEESH THROU
HIS BOOKS AND TAPED DISCOURSES,
WHICH LED TO A VISIT OF THE
SHREE RAJNEESH ASHRAM IN POONA,
I CAME TO KNOW BHAGWAN AS
A MAN OF EXTRAORDINARY GIFTS.
HIS VISION OF MANS RELATION
TO NATURE HAS IN MY OPINION
AN IMPORTANT IMPACT IN THE
FIELD OF AGRICULTURE, AS
INSPIRING TO FOCUS RESEARCH ON
TO A MORE HARMONIOUS WAY
OF MANS USE OF NATURAL
RESOURCES.

~~ONE~~ EXAMPLE

THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE
FORMER BIG MUDDY RANCH BY
THE DISCIPLES AND IN THE

PRESENCE OF BHAGWAN SHREE
RAJNEESH SHOWS WAYS AND METHODS HOW A HARMONIOUS
LAND USE IN SEMI ARID CLIMAT
CAN BRING REVIVAL TO AN
EXPLOITED AND IN MANY WAYS
DISTURBED ENVIRONMENT. (3)

ONE EXAMPLE IS THE RECOVERY
OF THE OVERGRAZED RANGE AND
ITS STREAMS AND CREEKS, BY YEARS
OF YEAR-ROUND OVERGRAZING THE
LAND HAD BEEN STRIPPED BARE
AND RENDERED USELESS. WHERE
VEGETATION HAD BEEN GRAZED AND
TRAMPLED DOWN THE STREAMS VERY
QUICKLY DETERIORATED, BECOMING
WASHED OUT AND ROCKY WITH
CRUMBLING BANKS EASILY CARRIED
AWAY IN HEAVILY SUTED WATERS
BY SEVERAL COMBINED MEASURES,
WITHIN ONLY TWO YEARS, STREAMS
CAME BACK TO LIFE, - BEFORE
ERODING PRECIOUS SILT, NOW BEING
CLEAR AND SILTFREE. CREEKS WHICH
HAD COMPLETELY DRIED UP FLOW NOW

FREELY AGAIN. THE VEGETATION ⊕
IS ALREADY SPREADING AND
EXTENDING THE RIPARIAN ZONES
AS WATER SATURATES THE SURROUNDING
AND BRINGS THE WATERTABLE TO
A HIGHER LEVEL.

THE PRESENCE OF BHAGWAN
SHREE RAJNEESH IN AMERICA IS
IN MY OPINION A TREMENDOUS
OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS COUNTRY -
HAVING A MAN AMONGST US WHO
IS CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNDER-
STANDING OF MANS POSITION IN
THIS WORLD - INDICATING WAYS
AND METHODS FOR US TO GO ON
IN THIS DIFFICULT AND CRITICAL
STAGE OF THE HISTORY OF
HUMANITY.

SINCERELY

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