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Dr. Eliot Porter Route 4, Box 33 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Dr. Porter:

This October, Sierra Club Books will publish THE WILDER SHORE, a book of photographs of the California landscape by Morley Baer, with text by the fine young natural history writer David Rains Wallace. THE WILDER SHORE will be the first title to be issued in the Exhibit Format since 1975, and we have high hopes for it.

One of our aims in publishing and promoting the book is to make Morley Baer's work known to a wider audience. This will be the largest collection of his landscape work (both black-and-white and color) yet published. Morley has mentioned that you are somewhat familiar with his work, and, of course, you have been closely associated with the Exhibit Format series since its inauguration. For these reasons, I'm writing to ask whether you might be willing to take a look at proofs of THE WILDER SHORE and perhaps comment on the images — or say something about Morley's work in general. A word from you would certainly be very valuable in our efforts.

I realize that the pressures of your own work may not permit you to respond favorably, and appreciate your taking the time to consider it. I shall look forward to hearing whether I may send you a set of the folded and trimmed proof.

Sincerely,

Diana Landau Executive Editor