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Dear Mr. McChesney, we have a funded National Science Foundation program at North Carolina State University aimed at using contemporary genetic technologies to control pests ranging from disease-carrying insects to invasive rodents. We have followed the Farallone Island story with great interest as it is a clear example of a situation where an invasive rodent is causing environmental damage that might be eliminated using contemporary genetic tools, an area that I am particularly interested in. I would like to speak with you about genetic-based approaches designed for accelerated species elimination, which might find an ideal use on the Farallones, as well as our broader interest in the mouse colonization of the Farralones that might be of mutual interest. Would you have a time in the next couple of weeks when we could speak by phone to explore possibilities?
Thanks, David

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