

# START SCENE 2

137 EXT. DALE'S PROPERTY - DAY

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Caroline and Dale are at the trunk of Dale's car unloading groceries. Caroline carries one of the bags to the porch. Caroline has something she wants to say to Dale. Finally, she just blurts it out as she pulls out a some folded cash from her pocket.

CAROLINE

This is what I've got left. We want to stay.

She shows Dale the money in her hand. Dale pushes the money back to Caroline.

DALE

You're welcome to stay down there til your dad gets better. If you guys were to be here for a long time, it costs something to stay on -- for propane, water, things like that.

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CAROLINE

So is this enough?

DALE

I don't need to take your money right now.

CAROLINE

We want to stay a long time.

Caroline tries again. Dale takes a symbolic few bills.

DALE

I can take this as a deposit.

(assuring her)

I'm not gonna rent the place out from under you. Take a deep breath. You can stay.

# END

Caroline leans into the trunk to get another grocery bag. Dale is stuffing some of the cans she bought into a canvas bag. When the bag is full, she ties it shut and rolls it into a forest patterned tarp.

CAROLINE

What's that for?

DALE

I leave this out for someone who lives up in the peninsula. I haven't seen him in years, but I know he gets the food. When I come back to check, the bag's always empty. I know he appreciates it.

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