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Dear Interested Parties:

With this letter, the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Battle Mountain Field Office (BMFO) is soliciting public comments for the Carico Lake Hot Springs Exclosure and Dewey Dann Meadow Exclosure projects. These proposed projects entail construction of fencing exclosures of up to three acres in extent around riparian areas located within the Carico Lake grazing allotment. The Carico Lake Hot Springs Exclosure project site is located within T24N-R47E Section 15 and the Dewey Dann Meadow Exclosure project site is located within T26N-R47E Section 32 (please see enclosed maps for project locations).

The primary purpose of these projects is to protect and enhance riparian habitat. If built, these proposed exclosures will result in healthier, more productive riparian areas and enhanced wildlife habitat. Both projects are configured to ensure that alternative water sources are available to cattle and wild horses. The Carico Lake Hot Springs Exclosure project is designed to leave flowing water outside the fenced area. The Dewey Dann Meadow Exclosure project site is located where alternative water sources (springs) exist nearby. The permittee would be responsible for maintenance of these projects.

We propose to construct these exclosures in 2007 and 2008. Existing unimproved roads provide access to both project sites. The customary four-wire fences would conform to BLM standards and each exclosure would include a 16 foot gate. Fence construction would be completed by hand. Some removal of pinion-juniper would be required at the Dewey Dann Meadow Exclosure site to accommodate fence construction and would be accomplished by hand crews using chain saws.

Interested parties are invited to provide written comments via mail or fax concerning these proposed projects. Please provide any comments in writing, or direct questions to Mike Stamm of the Battle Mountain Field Office at the above address (or fax 775 635-4034) by close of business 15 days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

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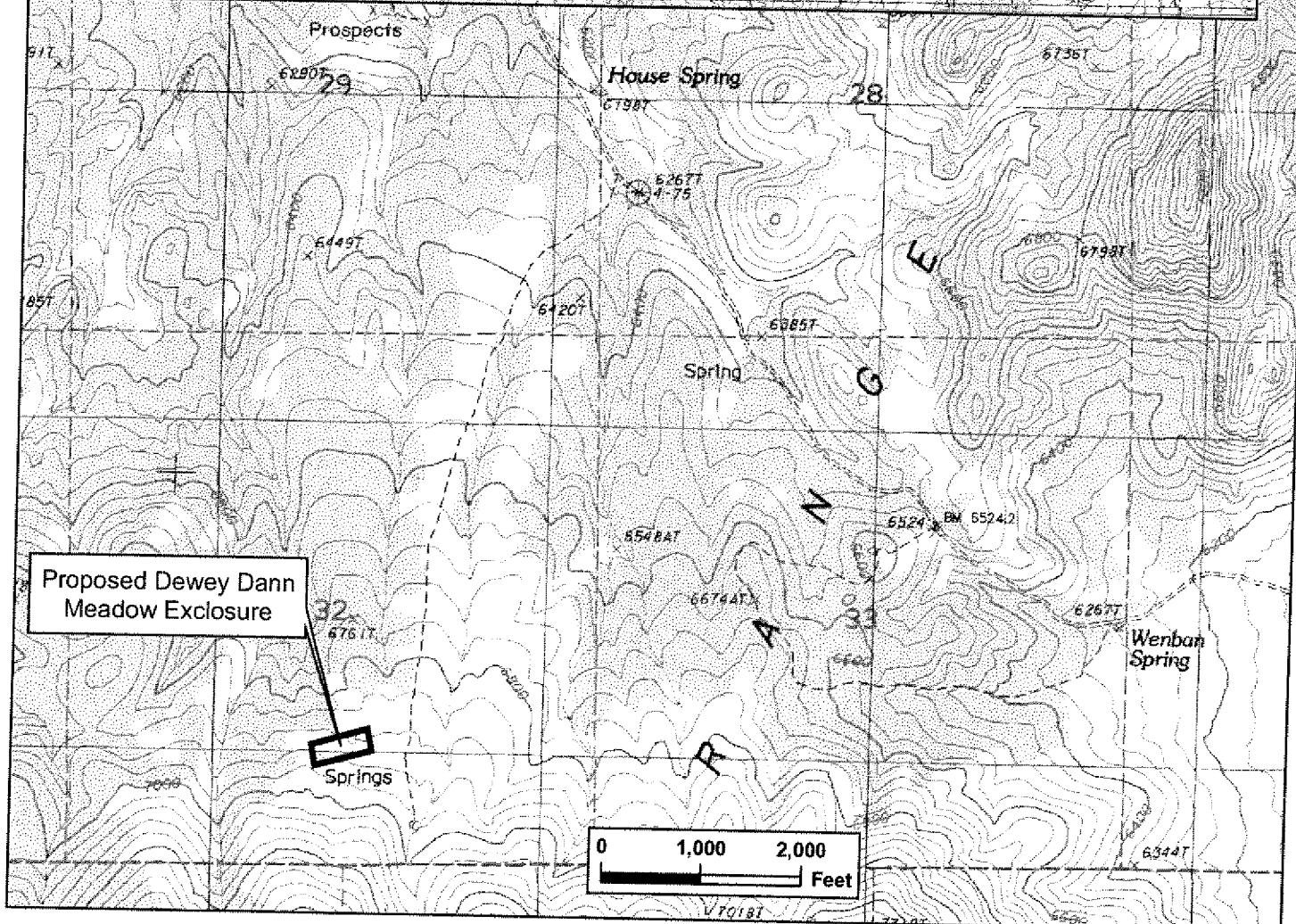
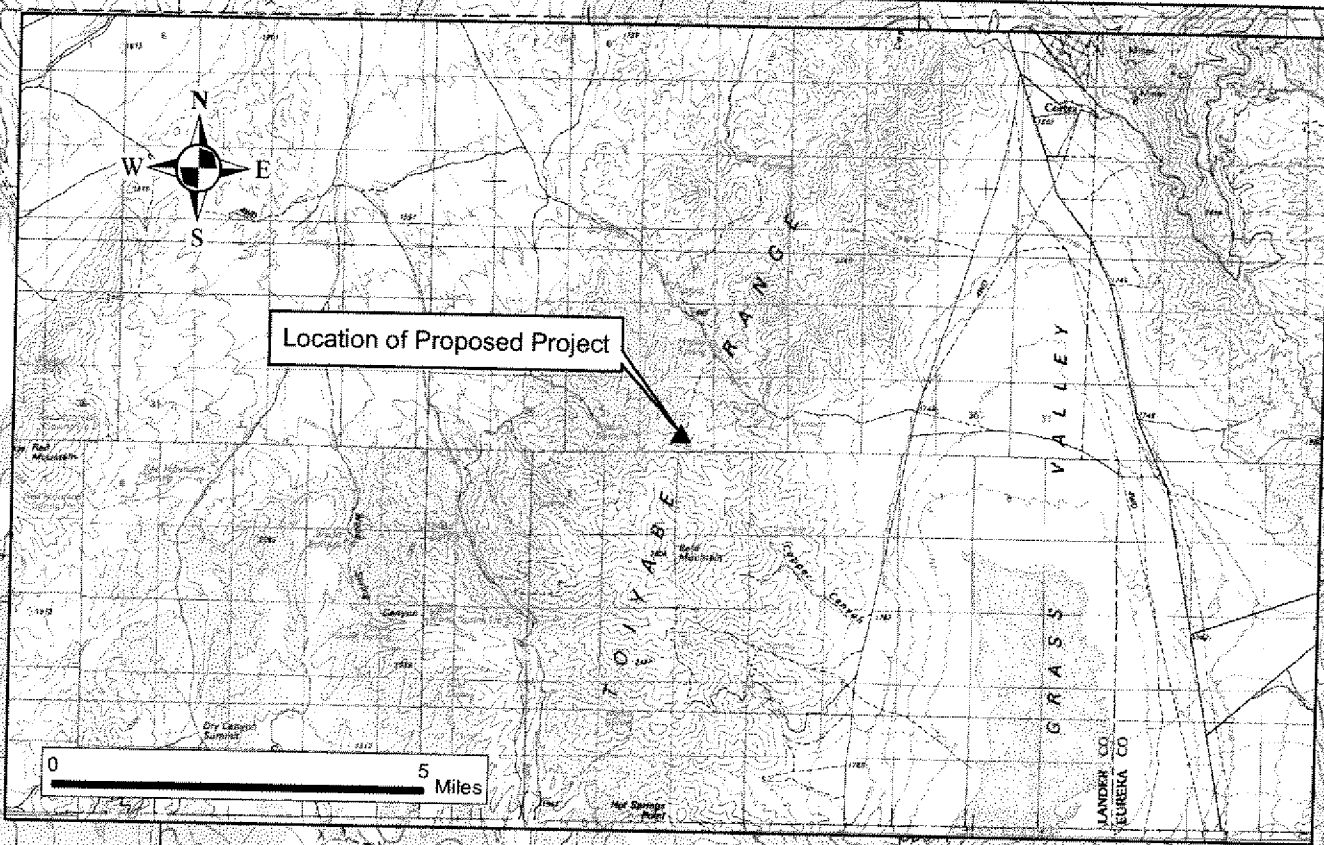
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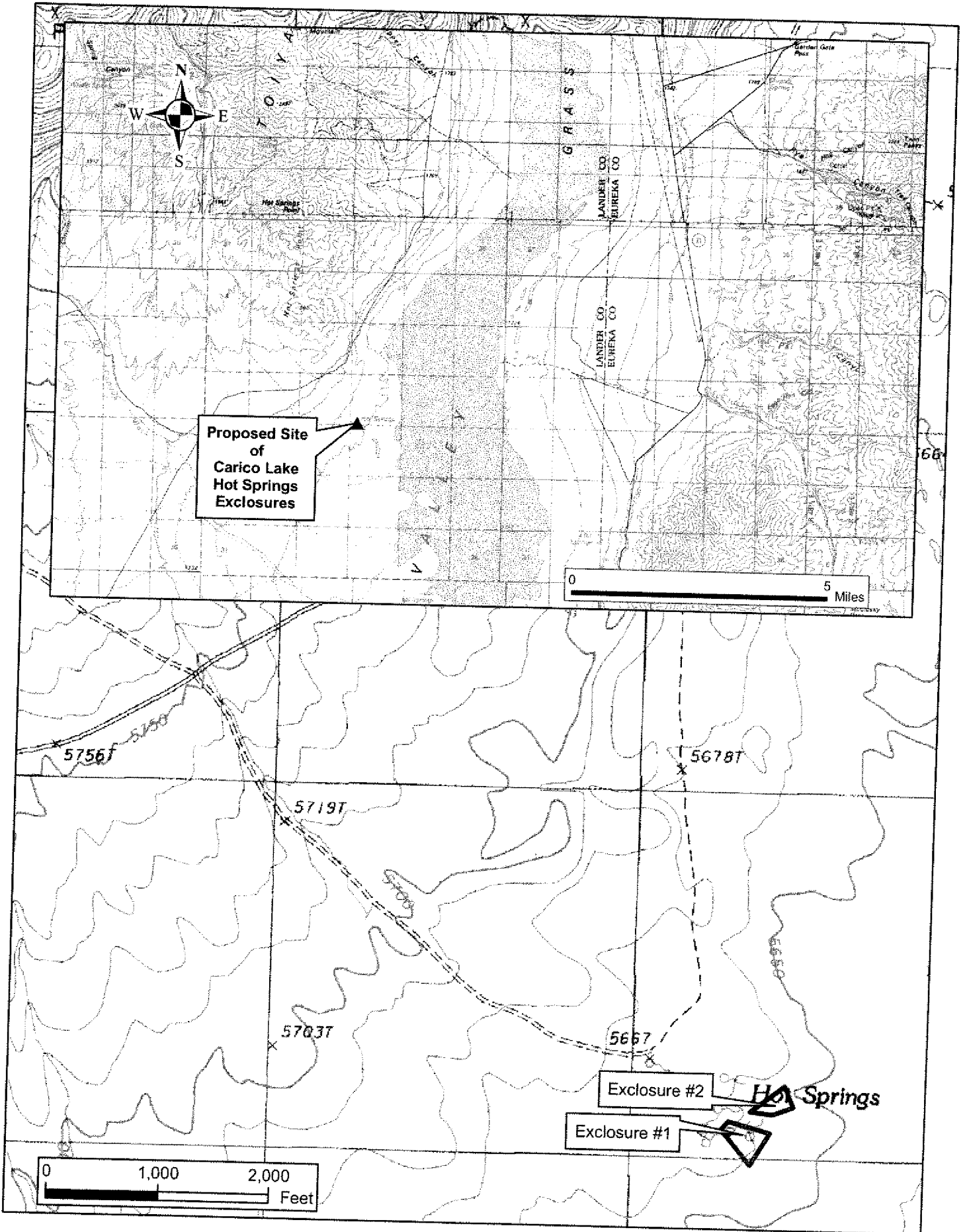
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Proposed Site
of
Carico Lake
Hot Springs
Exclosures

0 5 Miles

0 1,000 2,000 Feet

Exclosure #2

Exclosure #1

Hot Springs