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IN REPLY REFER TO: 4700 (NV-03480)

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Dear Interested Party:

This letter is to inform you that during the month of December 1995, the Carson City District plans to remove excess wild horses from the Desatoya, Lahontan and South Stillwater Herd Management Areas and associated lands outside of these Herd Management Areas in an attempt to achieve the established appropriate management levels. These removals are a continuation of the actions addressed in the Herd Management Area plans and associated supplemental environmental assessments specific to the above mentioned Herd Management Areas. These removals do not require a decision, since current monitoring data indicates that the established appropriate management levels are still valid and the capture methods remain the same as stated in the management plans and supplemental environmental assessment.

The Carson City District plans to remove approximately 200 horses from both inside and outside of the before mentioned herd areas. As established in the before mention plans and associated documents the appropriate management level will not be changed and the specified number of horses will remain after the removals are completed. If you have any questions concerning this removal please contact John Axtell of my staff.

Sincerely yours,

James M. Phillips Area Manager

Lahontan Resource Area

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September 6, 1995

James M. Phillips, Area Manager Lahontan Resource Area Carson City District Office 1535 Hot Springs Road Carson City, Nevada 89706-0638

RE: Proposed Gather for Desatoya, Lahontan and South Stillwater HMA's

Dear Mr. Phillips,

Thank you for the notification of your intent to gather horses in the above mentioned HMA's.

In your notification you mentioned that analyzation of "current monitoring data indicates that the established appropriate management levels are still valid...", which justifies the proposed gathers.

Please provide us with the current monitoring data that was analyzed and provide how that data was used to determine that the established AML's are still valid. Please include current census and distribution data as well. We would like the opportunity to review that data to determine if these proposed gathers are necessary. Also, please provide us with the pertinent information on the livestock portion of those decisions and what reductions have been initiated.

Thank you in advance for this information. If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director