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Dear Mr. Phillips
P.O. Box 1390
McGill, NV. 89318

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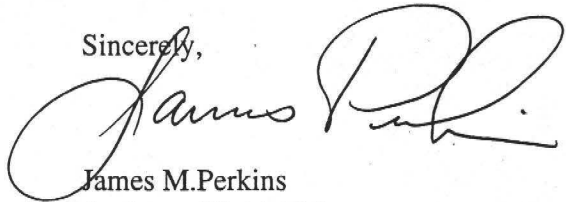
Your application to transfer grazing privileges from Grant Nielson to you on the Steptoe Allotment (0415) was received on March 16, 2000. The signed "Acceptance of Terms and Conditions" form was also received at the same time. Based on your application, we propose to offer you a ten year term grazing permit for the period 2000 to 2010.

The new grazing regulations require the authorized officer to consult, cooperate, and coordinate (CCC) with affected permittees, the State agencies responsible for managing resources within the area, and the interested public prior to the issuance of grazing permits (43 CFR 4130.2(b)). Therefore, a copy of this letter and a copy of the acceptance form will be sent to individuals, groups or organizations that have expressed an interest in the management of livestock grazing on the Schellbourne Allotment. **The interested publics are being asked to provide comments by June 16, 2000.**

The terms and conditions outlined in the term permit specific to the Steptoe Allotment were developed through consultation, cooperation, and coordination with the interested public during the allotment evaluation process. The terms and conditions are consistent with the Steptoe Allotment Final Multiple Use Decision issued January 10, 1992. **The Steptoe Allotment is within the Butte Wild Horse Herd Management Area (HMA).**

If we propose to change the terms and conditions of your grazing permit, following the comment period, we will keep you and other interested parties informed. If we determine that it is necessary to offer you this permit via proposed decision, it will be sent to the interested public(s) and will include a 15-day period for protest and a 30-day period for appeal.

If you have any questions please contact John Longinetti, your assigned Range Management Specialist for the Steptoe Allotment, at 775-289-1887.

Sincerely,

James M. Perkins
Assistant District Manager
Renewable Resource

Enclosure: Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS
AND
REQUEST FOR GRAZING PERMIT

We, Don and Sheila Phillips, agree to accept the terms and conditions listed below and request that we be offered a grazing permit to graze the allotment in which we have a grazing preference.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Permitted use on the Steptoe Allotment is 2,836 AUMs of cattle use from March 1 to February 28 subject to the following terms and conditions:

A. Egan Bench Pasture has a permitted use of 189 AUMs with a season of use between March 1 to April 30. Billing would be at 100% public land.

B. North Steptoe Seeding has a permitted use of 247 AUMs with a season of use between April 16 to June 30. Billing would be at 100% public land.

C. South Steptoe Seeding has a permitted use of 300 AUMs with a season of use between April 16 to June 30. Billing would be at 100% public land.

D. Dry Canyon Pasture has a permitted use of 454 AUMs with a season of use between April 16 to May 31. Billing would be at 100% public land.

E. Shep Field Pasture has a permitted use of 94 AUMs with a season of use between June 16 to October 15. Billing would be at 5% public land.

F. North Slough Pasture has a permitted use of 546 AUMs with a season of use between June 16 to September 30. Billing would be at 43% public land.

G. Duckcreek Flat Pasture has a permitted use of 1,006 AUMs with a season of use between October 16 to February 28. Billing would be at 100% public land.

General:

1. Signed actual use statements for the period 3/1 to 2/28 are due yearly by 3/31. Issuance of grazing licenses is dependent upon receipt of actual use.

2. Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(g) the holder of this authorization must notify the authorized officer, by telephone, with written confirmation, immediately upon the discovery of human

remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony (as defined at 43 CFR 10.2). Further, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(c) and (d), you must stop activities in the immediate vicinity of the discovery and protect it from your activities for 30 days or until notified to proceed by the authorized officer."

3. Grazing use will be in accordance with the Northeastern Great Basin Area Standards and Guidelines for grazing administration as developed by Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 12, 1997. Grazing use will also be in accordance with 43 CFR subpart 4180: Fundamentals of Rangeland Health and Standards and Guidelines For Grazing Administration.

Don Phillips
Signed: *Don Phillips* Date: _____