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In Reply Refer To: 4130 (NV-042)

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Mr. Herb Stathes HC 33 Box 33910 Ely, NV 89301

Dear Herb:



Your application to transfer grazing privileges from Jean Lou Salvi to you on the Cherry Creek Allotment (0403) and the Big Rock Seeding Allotment (0428) was received on March 8, 1999. The signed "Acceptance of Terms and Conditions" form was also received on March 8, 1999. Based on your application, we propose to offer you a ten year term grazing permit for the period 1999 to 2009.

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 Cherry Creek Allotment and the Big Rock Seeding Allotment. The interested public(s) is being asked to provide comments by April 2, 1999.

The terms and conditions outlined in the term permit specific to the Big Rock Seeding were developed through consultation, cooperation, and coordination with the interested public during the allotment evaluation process. The terms and conditions are consistent with the Big Rock Seeding Management Action Selection Report issued December 20, 1990.

The terms and conditions outlined in the permit specific to the Cherry Creek Allotment are those which have historically appeared on previous annual licenses and permits authorizing grazing use in this allotment. The Cherry Creek Allotment is within the Antelope Wild Horse Herd Management Area and the Butte Wild Horse Herd Management Area.

The terms and conditions outlined are also consistent with the Egan Resource Area Record of Decision and the Egan Rangeland Program Summary. The impacts of livestock grazing under these terms and conditions have been analyzed in the Egan Resource Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement.

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 Cherry Creek Allotment and the Big Rock Seeding Allotment, at (775) 289-1887.

Sincerely,

James M. Perkins

Assistant Field Manager Renewable Resources

1 Enclosure

1. Acceptance of Terms and Condition

## ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR GRAZING PERMIT

Herbert Stathes, agree to accept the Terms and Conditions listed below and request that I be offered a Grazing Permit to graze the allotments in which I have a grazing preference.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Cherry Creek Allotment (0403):

- 1. The total number of animal unit months of specified livestock use on the Cherry Creek Allotment native range is 587 AUMs. Season-of-use is from March 1 to February 28.
- 2. The total number of animal unit months of specified livestock use on the South Egan Basin Seeding is 52 AUMs. A spring/fall rotation grazing system has been established on the South Egan Basin Seeding. Grazing is authorized in the fall during even numbered years and in the spring during odd numbered years. The season-of-use in the spring is May 1 to June 30 and in the fall October 15 to February 28.

Big Rock Seeding (0428):

5. The total number of animal unit months of specified livestock use on the Big Rock Seeding is 77 AUMs. A spring/fall rotation grazing system has been established on the Big Rock Seeding. Grazing is authorized in the spring during even numbered years and in the fall during odd numbered years. The season-of-use in the spring is May 1 to June 30 and in the fall October 15 to February 28.

## General

- 2. Signed actual use statements for the period 3/1 to 2/28 are due yearly by 3/31.
- 3. 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 of antil potified to proceed by the authorized officer."

Signed:

Herbert Stathes

Date