

United States Department of the Interior

Bureau of Land Management
Caliente Field Station
P.O. Box 237
Caliente, Nevada 89008

In Reply Refer To: 4100 (NV055.02)

Dear Interested Public:

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The Bureau of Land Management has received application for the transfer of animal unit months (AUMs) of livestock grazing from one user to another on the following allotments:

ALLOTMENT NAME	PROPOSED TRANSFER		KIND OF LIVESTOCK	SEASON OF USE	ANIMAL UNIT MONTHS OF SPECIFIED LIVESTOCK GRAZING	
	TRANSFEROR	TRANSFEREE			SUSPENDED	ACTIVE
Bennett Springs	H. Wendell Jones	Bradley K. Guymon	Sheep	10/16 to 04/30	759	996
Black Canyon	H. Wendell Jones	Bradley K. Guymon	Sheep	10/16 to 04/30	88	335
Highway	Lom Thompson	Hank & Joi Brackenbury	Cattle	03-01 to 02-28	0	118
Peck	Lom Thompson	Hank & Joi Brackenbury	Cattle	03-01 to 02-28	0	397

The transferees meet all of the qualifications for a grazing permittee outlined in 43 CFR 4110.1. Both have offered property in Lincoln County, which they own, as base property.

The BLM will be issuing a grazing permit to the transferees for each allotment. Neither the total number of animal unit months of specified livestock grazing nor the terms and conditions will change. Terms and conditions remain the same as in previous permits which authorize grazing use on these allotments. Issuance of these term permits complies with the regulations outlined in 43 CFR 4110.2-1, 4110.2-2 and 4110.2-3. The terms and conditions and the impacts of livestock grazing under these terms and conditions are consistent with and have been analyzed in the Caliente Management Framework Plan and the Caliente Environmental Statement for domestic livestock grazing.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 4130.2, the issuance or renewal of a new permit requires consultation, cooperation and coordination with affected permittees or lessees, the state having lands or managing resources within the area, and the interested public. If you have any questions or comments that should be considered prior to issuing a new permit, please send them in writing within 15 days of receipt of this letter to the following address: Bureau of Land

Management, Attn: Hal Bybee, ADM Renewable Resources, HC 33 Box 33500, Ely NV 89301-9408.

Permits will be issued at the end of this period if no allotment specific information pertaining to issues or concerns are received. Otherwise, the BLM may issue a proposed decision to the applicants, that either denies or offers a new grazing permit. Interested parties will also receive a copy of these decisions. In order to decrease mailing expenses, please inform the BLM in writing if you wish to receive copies of any decisions.

If you have any further questions or comments regarding these transfers please contact Shawn Smith or Ann Dernburg, of my staff, at (702) 726-8100.

Sincerely, Ihan Ams "Actions" for

Hal Bybee

ADM Renewable Resources

cc:

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Animal Protection Institute, Attn: Nancy Whitaker

Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses, Attn: Cathy Barcomb

International Society for the Protection of Mustangs and Burros

Lincoln County Commission

Lincoln County Public Lands Commission

Mr. Lom Thompson, Permittee

National Wild Horse Association

Natural Resources Defence Council, Attn: Johanna H. Wald

Nevada Division of Wildlife

Nevada State Clearinghouse

Resource Concepts, Inc. Attn: John McClain

Sierra Club, Conservation Chair, Attn: Randy Harness

Mr. Wendell Jones, Permittee

Wild Horse Organized Assistance, Attn: Dawn Lappin

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Wilderness Society Regional Associate, Attn Barbara Spolter