

April 8, 1996

To: Gene Hrais
From: Dawn Y Lappin

Re: Livestock agreement

Cathy Barcomb has briefed me on your intention to sign the agreement. We have not been in the business to block the BSM's ability to resolve rangeland conflicts through negotiated settlements. We do have doubts whether the BSM has the ability to monitor "herding" as is required; and whether you will exercise the ability to separate out the "offending animals."

I'm sure you realize that we will require substantial evidence of the monitoring of this agreement.

More appropriate to our concern, would be ANY attempt to fence operators use area within the herd area.

Your record for protecting wild horse habitat and populations from fencing is dismal. Your previous promises were witnessed by emergency captures, loss of animals and habitat.

WVSOA will fight any fence within a herd area that sole purpose is for management of herding permitted. I will and can bring every horse organization in the U.S to fight this proposal, so be forewarned.

Dawn Y Lappin