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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Caliente Resource Area P.O. Box 237 Caliente, Nevada 89008

> In Reply Refer To: 4120.3 H&H Cattle Co. Grazing Case File (NV-055.18)

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Dear Interested Public:

I am considering authorizing H&H Cattle Company to construct four pipeline spurs that would be connected to an existing pipeline on the Oak Springs and Cliff Springs Allotments in the Dry Lake Valley (see attached map). The combined length of the four spurs would be six miles. New troughs would be placed at the end of each spur and the water would be available to any wildlife and wildhorses that may frequent the area during the period of authorized grazing use.

The pipeline spurs would improve livestock distribution and is consistent with multiple use objectives of the Caliente Resource Area Land Use Plan. An environmental assessment was completed for this project on 7-19-94. In the Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision dated 7-21-94, I concluded that the project should be completed.

Portions of the proposed project are within the Rattlesnake Wild Horse Herd Management Area (HMA). Existing HMA herd distribution data shows no wild horses utilizing the project area. This project could benefit wild horses, if they become established in these areas at a later date.

The project is within the Dry Lake Valley antelope herd management area and is consistent with the Land Use Plan Objectives of the herd area.

Based on the information provided above, I am considering authorizing this project through a cooperative agreeement. If you would like more information on this project or have information that you feel I should consider before authorizing this project, please contact Shawn Smith, of my staff, at (702) 726-8100.

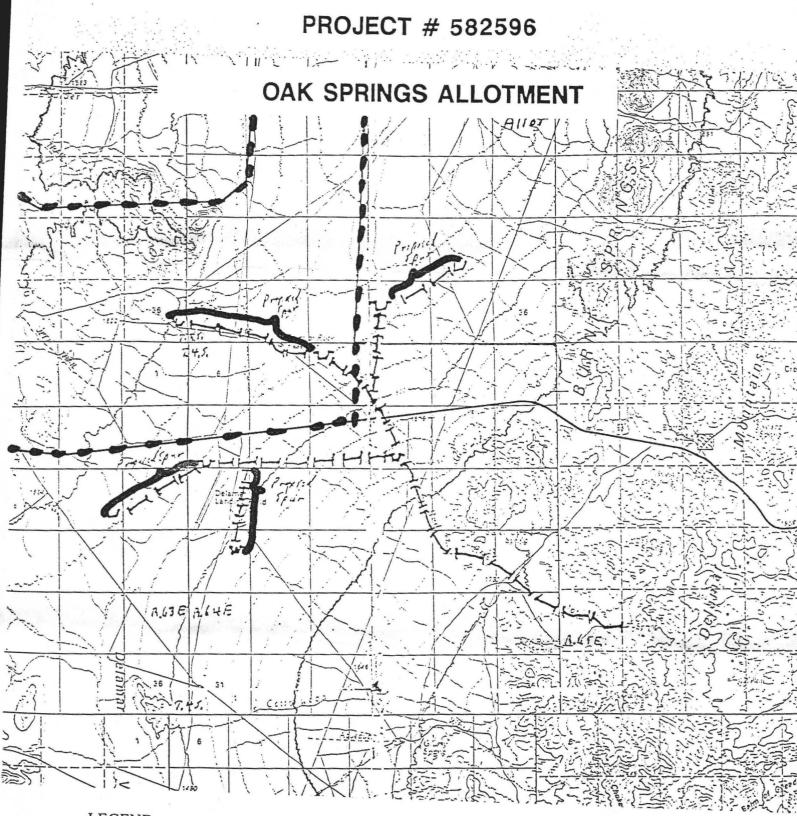
If you have any comments, please send them in writing by October 31, 1995 to the Caliente Area Manager at the following address: Bureau of Land Management, Caliente Resource Area, Attn. Area Manager, P.O. Box 237, Caliente, NV 89008. If you need more time to respond to this request please contact Shawn Smith at the above number to arrange for additional time.

Sincerely,

Curtia R. Turker

Curtis G. Tucker Caliente Area Manager

CYCLONE PIPELINE SPURS



LEGEND Rattlesnake Herd Management Area Boundary – – – Proposed Spur Pipeline HHHH Trough