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FEDERAL EXPRESS

Re: Waiver of Proposed Rotation Schedule in Final Multiple Use Decision Pending Determination on Appeal of Decision

Dear Mr. Cribley:

This letter is a request that the proposed rotation schedule in the Final Multiple Use Decision for the Blue Wing/Seven Troughs Allotments dated December 6, 1994 (the "Decision"), be waived as it applies to C-Punch Ranch, Inc., for the 1995-1996 grazing season. C-Punch has reduced its number of cattle to those levels (or below) mandated in the Decision. However, pending a determination on its appeal, C-Punch would request that the rotation schedule be waived until an administrative law judge has made a ruling on the appeal. Because the Decision was in full force and effect, C-Punch does have the remedy of judicial review of the Decision, but would prefer to save all parties the expense of filing for an injunction of the rotation schedule at this point.

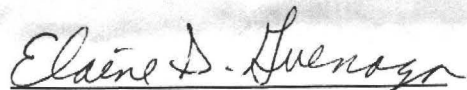
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We would appreciate a prompt response to this request. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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May 19, 1995

Elaine S. Guenaga
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Dear Ms. Guenaga:

I am replying to your May 10, 1995, letter regarding C-Punch's proposal not to implement the grazing system as described in the Blue Wing/Seven Troughs Final Multiple Use Decision (FMUD).

I can not waive the implementation of the grazing system as requested. The FMUD outlined resource objectives and three strategies that we are implementing to meet those objectives. The strategies are an overall reduction of grazing use, initiation of a deferred rotation grazing system, and installation of range improvement projects. Your letter did not outline any alternative grazing systems that would meet the resource objectives. Without an option I can not grant your request.

As I have stated before, I am willing to sit down with C-Punch and the affected interests to explore any new alternatives to the grazing system or range improvements. If we can reach a consensus I would be willing to modify the FMUD. I would have to issue a new proposed and final decision. In order to keep these other interests informed, I am forwarding copies of this letter and your letter to them.

If you have any questions or would like to arrange for a meeting, please contact Ron Pearson or Tom Seley at (702) 623-1500.

Sincerely yours,



for Bud Cribley, Area Manager
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