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NOTICE OF CLOSURE TO LIVESTOCK GRAZING

For protection of the soil and vegetation, due to drought, and because continued grazing use poses a significant risk of resource damage, I hereby close to all livestock grazing use on public lands herein described in the following allotments located in Pershing County:

PORTIONS OF THE SOUTH ROCHESTER AND RAWHIDE ALLOTMENTS WITHIN THE NORTH STILLWATER HERD MANAGEMENT AREA

This Notice of Closure is to remain in effect for a minimum of two (2) growing seasons or until the criteria is met as spelled out in the Final Decision and/or Agreement. Upon determination that the objectives have been met, authorized grazing use may resume.

The Winnemucca Field Office will monitor the recovery of these areas to determine if the objectives of this closure are being achieved.

This Closure is issued as a Final Decision and is effective upon issuance pursuant to Title 43 CFR, sections 4110.3-3(b) and 4160.3(f) of the Grazing Regulations for the Public Lands.

Any applicant, permittee, lessee, or other person whose interest is adversely affected by this final decision may file an appeal and petition for stay of the decision pending final determination of the appeal under Sec. 43 CFR 4160.4 and 4.470. Appeals and petitions for a stay of the decision shall be filed within 30 days after receipt of the final decision, in person or in writing to:

Les W. Boni, AFM Renewable Resources Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd. Winnemucca, NV 89445

The appeal shall state the reasons, clearly and concisely, why the appellant thinks the final decision is in error.

Should you wish to file a motion for stay, the appellant shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards under Sec. 43 CFR 4.21:

- (1) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied.
- (2) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits.

- (3) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted.
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

As noted above, the petition for stay must be filed in the office of the authorized officer.

This notice is to inform you that any livestock grazing upon closed portions of public land under Bureau of Land Management's control are in violation of 43 CFR 4140.1(b)(1) and may be impounded. The unauthorized livestock may be impounded at any time after five (5) days from delivery of this notice or after five (5) days from publishing and posting of this notice. This notice is issued in accordance with 43 CFR 4150.4; any impoundment of unauthorized livestock in connection with this notice will be done in accordance with 43 CFR 4150.4-2.

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