

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Elko Field Office 3900 E. Idaho Street Elko, NV 89801-4611

> In Reply Refer To: N-60593 2200 (NV-013)

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Dear Interested Party:

Enclosed is a Notice of Exchange Proposal for a land exchange proposed by Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc. and Ellison Ranching Company. The notice will be published on April 11, 1997, initiating a 45 day protest period which will conclude on May 27, 1997.

Any comments, objections or protests may be submitted to the District Manager at the address above. Should you have any questions, you may contact Ken Nelson at (702) 753-0200.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID J. VANDENBERG, Manager

Non-Renewable Resources

Enclosure: As stated above

Notice of Exchange Proposal Proposed Exchange of Lands in Elko County, Nevada

N-60593

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, 3800 E. Idaho St., Elko, Nevada 89801.

Notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management is considering a proposal to exchange land pursuant to Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716), as amended. The exchange has been proposed by Barrick Goldstrike Mines Inc. (Barrick) and Ellison Ranching Company (Ellison), collectively known as the Proponents.

In June of 1995, Barrick acquired from Ellison, private lands known as the "Midas Unit" that have been used by Ellison in its ranching operations. As part of the private purchase agreement, Barrick agreed to propose and pursue a federal land exchange with the objectives of consolidating and extending the remaining private land owned by Ellison in the vicinity of the Spanish Ranch. Barrick's costs of acquisition of the Midas Unit lands would be reduced by the value of those lands contributed to the exchange. Completion of the exchange would allow Ellison Ranching Co. to enhance and facilitate their grazing practices and would consolidate areas of public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The United States would acquire lands with high values for riparian habitat and wildlife, including habitat for the Lahanton cutthroat trout, a threatened species.

The Proponents have proposed to exchange to the United States the following described private lands or interest in lands:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

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T. 39 N., R. 44 E.,
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sec. 3: lots 1-4:

sec. 12: SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec. 13: NE¹/₄, E¹/₂NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄.

T. 40 N., R. 44 E.,

sec. 14: E1/2SW1/4;

sec. 24: E½SW¼, SW¼SE¼;

sec. 25: W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, S½NW¼, NW¼SW¼, N½SE¼;

sec. 26: S½NE¼;

sec. 34: NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec. 35: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;

sec. 36: E¹/₂NE¹/₄, W¹/₂SW¹/₄.

- T. 39 N., R. 45 E.,
 - sec. 7: SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 8: W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 9: SE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 10: SW1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 15: NW1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 16: S1/2NW1/4;
 - sec. 17: NW¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 18: lots 1-4, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 20: NW1/4NW1/4, S1/2NW1/4.
- T. 40 N., R. 45 E.,
 - sec. 18: E1/2NW1/4;
 - sec. 28: E½SW¼, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 30: SE1/4SE1/4.
- T. 39 N., R. 46 E.,
 - sec. 3: lot 2; SE1/4NW1/4.
- T. 40 N., R. 46 E.
 - sec. 1: lots 4, 5, 12, 13, 17, 20, 24, E½SE¼;
 - sec. 2: lots 1, 15, 18, 23, N1/2SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 3: SW1/4SW1/4, NE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 4: lot 16, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 5: SW1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 7: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 8: NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 9: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 10: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 11: W½NE¼, SW¼NW¼, E½SW¼;
 - sec. 12: E½NE¼, NE¼SE¼, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 13: W1/2E1/2;
 - sec. 14: E1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 15: NW1/4NE1/4;
 - sec. 17: NE¼NE¼, SW¼NE¼, NE¼SW¼, SW¼SW¼;
 - sec. 19: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 21: SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, S¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 22: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 23: E½W½, SW¼NW¼, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 24: NW¹/₄NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 25: NW1/4NW1/4;
 - sec. 26: N½NE¼, E½NW¼, NW¼SW¼;
 - sec. 27: E¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 28: N½N½, SW¼NE¼, SE¼NW¼, NW¼SW¼;
 - sec. 29: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 33: W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, NW¼SE¼;

- sec. 34: N¹/₂N¹/₂, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 35: N1/2SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 36: S1/2SW1/4.

T. 39 N., R. 47 E.,

- sec. 1: S½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 2: lot 1, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 3: SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
- sec. 4: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
- sec. 5: lot 1;
- sec. 10: SW¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, NW¼SE¼;
- sec. 11: NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
- sec. 12: N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄.

T. 40 N., R. 47 E.

- sec. 1: lots 5, 9-12;
- sec. 2: lots 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 23, NW1/4SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 3: lots 9, 10, 16, 19-21, 23, W1/2SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 4: lots 1, 8, 9, 16, 17;
- sec. 5: lot 21, W¹/₂SW¹/₄;
- sec. 6: lots 4, 5, 11, 15, 17;
- sec. 8: N½NE¼, NE¼NW¼, SE¼SE¼;
- sec. 9: NW1/4NE1/4, SW1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 10: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, W¹/₂W¹/₂;
- sec. 11: SW1/4NE1/4, W1/2W1/2, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 12: SW1/4NE1/4, E1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 13: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
- sec. 14: SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 15: E½NE¼, NW¼NW¼, W½SE¼;
- sec. 16: E½NE¼, N½NW¼, SE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 19: NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 21: W½E½, SE¼NE¼;
- sec. 22: NW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, NW1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 23: SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 24: W¹/₂NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 25: SW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4;
- sec. 26: NW¹/₄SW¹/₄;
- sec. 27: NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
- sec. 28: NW¹/₄NE¹/₄;
- sec. 29: W½NW¼, SE¼NW¼, E½SW¼, N½SE¼, SW¼SE¼;
- sec. 30: E½NE¼, SE¼SE¼;
- sec. 32: N½NE¼, W½NW¼, SE¼NW¼, W½SE¼, SE¼SE¼;
- sec. 33: SW14NW14, N1/2SW14, SE1/4SW14, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 36: W¹/₂W¹/₂.

- T. 41 N., R. 47 E.
 - sec. 15: SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 20: W1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 22: SW1/4NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 23: NW1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 24: SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 25: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 26: NE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 29: W1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 32: NW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 34: SW1/4NW1/4;
 - sec. 35: NW1/4NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, NE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 36: W1/2SW1/4.
- T. 39 N., R. 48 E.,
 - sec. 6: lots 1-3, 5-7, SW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4.
- T. 40 N., R. 48 E.,
 - sec. 1: lots 1-3, 5, 7, 9-11, 15-19, NE1/4SW1/4, SE1/4;
 - sec. 2: lot 6;
 - sec. 3: lots 2, 4, 7;
 - sec. 4: lots 3-6, 12-14, E½SE¼;
 - sec. 5: lots 1-3, 6-9, 16, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 6: lots 10, 13, 15, 17-20, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 7: lot 3, W½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, E½SW¼;
 - sec. 8: NE¼NW¼, NW¼SE¼, SE¼SE¼;
 - sec. 9: E½E½, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 10: W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 11: NW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, W1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 12: E½NE¼, SW¼NW¼, SW¼SW¼, N½SE¼;
 - sec. 13: SE¼NE¼, N½NW¼, SW¼NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 14: W½E½, NE¼NW¼, NE¼SE¼;
 - sec. 15: W1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 16: NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 18: lot 2, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 19: lot 1, W1/2E1/2, E1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 21: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 23: W½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, S½SW¼;
 - sec. 24: NE¼, S½SW¼, N½SE¼;
 - sec. 25: N½NE¼, SW¼NE¼, SE¼SW¼, NW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 26: W¹/₂NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 27: S½NE¼, SW¼;
 - sec. 28: E1/2;
 - sec. 30: W¹/₂E¹/₂, E¹/₂NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 31: NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, S¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 32: S½N½, N½S½, SW¼SW¼;

- sec. 33: N1/2N1/2, SW1/4NW1/4, N1/2S1/2, SW1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 34: S½NE¼, N½S½, SW¼SW¼;
- sec. 35: S1/2N1/2, NW1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 36: N½, NW¼SW¼, N½SE¼.
- T. 41 N., R. 48 E.,
 - sec. 19: lots 1-4;
 - sec. 30: lots 1, 2, SE1/4NW1/4, E1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 31: E½NW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 34: SE¼SW¼, NE¼SE¼, S½SE¼;
 - sec. 35: S1/2S1/2;
 - sec. 36: W½NE¼, S½SW¼, N½SE¼, SE¼SE¼.
- T. 39 N., R. 49 E.,
 - sec. 6: lot 4.
- T. 40 N., R. 49 E.,
 - sec. 1: lot 17, SE1/4SW1/4, NE1/4SE1/4, S1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 2: lot 16;
 - sec. 6: lots 13, 14, 19, 20, E½SE¼;
 - sec. 11: E½NE¼, E½SW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 12: N1/2, N1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 14: NE¼NE¼, S½N½, S½;
 - sec. 15: SE1/4NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, SW1/4;
 - sec. 16: All;
 - sec. 17: NE¼NE¼, SW¼NE¼, W½, N½SE¼, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 18: lots 1-4, E1/2, E1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 19: lots 1-4, E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 20: All;
 - sec. 21: All;
 - sec. 22: S½SE¼;
 - sec. 23: NW1/4NW1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 25: N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 26: S1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 27: NE¼, NE¼NW¼, S½NW¼, SW¼, N½SE¼, SE¼SE¼;
 - sec. 28: All;
 - sec. 29: All;
 - sec. 30: lots 1-4, E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 31: lots 1-4, E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 32: All;
 - sec. 33: All;
 - sec. 34: All.

- T. 41 N., R. 49 E.
 - sec. 2: lots 2, 3, S½NE¼, E½SE¼;
 - sec. 3: W¹/₂SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 4: lot 1;
 - sec. 10: SE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 11: NE1/4NE1/4, S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 12: NW1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 14: S½NE¼, E½NW¼;
 - sec. 15: SE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 23: N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼;
 - sec. 26: NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 27: S½NE¼, S½SW¼, W½SE¼;
 - sec. 28: SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 30: lot 4, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 31: lot 4, W1/2E1/2, NE1/4NW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 33: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 34: E1/2NE1/4;
 - sec. 35: N1/2S1/2;
 - sec. 36: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄.
- T. 42 N., R. 49 E.
 - sec. 34: E½NE¼, NE¼SE¼;
 - sec. 35: W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4.
- T. 40 N., R. 50 E.
 - sec. 6: lots 3, 5-7, 10-15, 20, 21, 24;
 - sec. 7: lots 1, 2, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 8: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 9: NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, S¹/₂;
 - sec. 16: W½E½NE¼NE¼, W½NE¼NE¼, W½NE¼, W½SE¼NE¼, W½, W½E½NW¼NE¼SE¼, W½NW¼NE¼SE¼, N½NW¼SE¼, SW¼NW¼SE¼, W½SE¼NW¼SE¼, W½W½NE¼SW¼SE¼, NW¼SW¼SE¼, W½NE¼SW¼SE¼, W½SW¼SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 17: N½, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 18: lots 1-4, E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 19: lot 4, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 20: N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄;
 - sec. 21: W½E½NE¼SW¼SW¼, W½NE¾SW¼SW¼, W½SW¼SW¼, W½SE¼SW¼SW¼;
 - sec. 28: W¹/₂W¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄NW¹/₄, W¹/₂E¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 29: N½, S½SW¼, N½NE¼NE¼SE¼, SW¼NE¼NE¼SE¼, W½SE¼NE¼NE¼SE¼, W½SW¼SE¼NE¼SE¼, N½SW¼SE¼, NW¼SW¼SE¼SE¼, N½SW¼SE¼SE¼, NW¼SW¼SE¼SE¼;
 - sec. 30: lot 1, N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 32: W¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄NE¹/₄.

- T. 41 N., R. 50 E.
 - sec. 5: lot 4, W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 6: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 7: NW1/4NE1/4, S1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 8: W1/2W1/2, SE1/4NW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 9: SE1/4NW1/4;
 - sec. 10: S1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 15: NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 16: S1/2N1/2, NE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 17: W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼;
 - sec. 20: W1/2W1/2, SE1/4NW1/4, W1/2SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
 - sec. 21: SW1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 28: SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 29: NW1/4NW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 30: lots 2-4, NW1/4NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4;
 - sec. 32: N½NE¼;
 - sec. 33: N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼;
 - sec. 34: W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4.
- T. 42 N., R. 50 E.
 - sec. 32: SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄.
- T. 41 N., R. 51 E.
 - sec. 2: lot 3, S½NW¼;
 - sec. 3: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 12: W½NW¼, NE¼SW¼.
- T. 33 N., R. 55 E.,
 - sec. 31: E½, E½NE¼NW¼, E½NW¼NE¼NW¼.

(The land described above in section 31, T. 33 N., R. 55 E. is a Barrick parcel deleted from a previous exchange in order to equalize land values. The parcel is located within the South Fork Special Recreation Management Area and has important values for public recreation, riparian, and wildlife habitat.)

TOTAL ACREAGE OFFERED LANDS -- 45,187.25

In exchange, the United States would transfer title to an acreage of equal value, as determined by appraisal and in accordance with the procedures found in 43 CFR 2201.6, from the following described pool of public lands:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

- T. 40 N., R. 47 E.
 - sec. 1: lots 25, 27, 28.
- T. 40 N., R. 48 E.
 - sec. 6: lots 27, 28.
- T. 41 N., R. 48 E.
 - sec. 1: lot 1, SE¼NE¼, E½SW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 2: S1/2NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4;
 - sec. 3: lots 9-15;
 - sec. 4: lots 9-12, S¹/₂;
 - sec. 5: lots 7, 8, S½NW¼, S½;
 - sec. 6: lots 13-18, 21-23;
 - sec. 7: E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 8: lots 1-16;
 - sec. 9: lots 1-15;
 - sec. 10: lots 1-8;
 - sec. 11: lots 1, 2;
 - sec. 12: lots 1-10, NE1/4;
 - sec. 13: lot 1-28;
 - sec. 14: SE1/4NE1/4, W1/2SW1/4, E1/2SE1/4;
 - sec. 15: lots 1-8;
 - sec. 16: lots 1-7, NE¹/₄;
 - sec. 17: lots 1-8, S1/2;
 - sec. 18: E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 19: E½, E½W½;
 - sec. 20: All;
 - sec. 21: E½NE¼, NE¼NW¼, W½SW¼, SE¼SW¼;
 - sec. 22: lots 1, 2, S½NE¼, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼;
 - sec. 23: lots 1, 2, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, S½NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 24: lots 1-8;
 - sec. 25: lots 1-10, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 26: NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 27: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, S¹/₂NW¹/₄, SW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄;
 - sec. 28: E½NE¼, W½, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 29: All;
 - sec. 30: E½, NE¼NW¼;
 - sec. 31: N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼;
 - sec. 32: N½N½, SE¼NE¼, SW¼NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, SW¼SE¼;
 - sec. 33: lots 1-3, W1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, SE1/4;

- sec. 34: NE¼, N½NW¼, W½SW¼, NW¼SE¼;
- sec. 35: N¹/₂;
- sec. 36: N1/2NW1/4.

T. 41 N., R. 49 E.

- sec. 4: lots 2, 4, SW1/4NE1/4, W1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 5: lots 1-4, S1/2N1/2, S1/2;
- sec. 6: lots 1-7, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, E½SW¼, NW¼SE¼, S½SE¼;
- sec. 7: lots 2-4, E½, E½NW¼, NE¼SW¼;
- sec. 9: W1/2NE1/2;
- sec. 16: SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 17: W1/2W1/2;
- sec. 18: lots 1-4, E1/2E1/2, SW1/4NE1/4, E1/2W1/2, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 19: lot 1, N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, E½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 20: NW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 21: NW1/4NE1/4, NW1/4SW1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 28: W¹/₂NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄;
- sec. 29: N½NE¼, NW¼, N½SW¼, NW¼SE¼;
- sec. 30: lots 1-3, NE14, E1/2NW14, NE1/4SW14, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 31: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
- sec. 32: NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₄;
- sec. 33: W1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4.

T. 42 N., R. 49 E.

- sec. 21: E½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 22: SW1/4NW1/4;
- sec. 24: S1/2;
- sec. 25: All;
- sec. 26: E½, E½SW¼;
- sec. 27: N¹/₂SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 28: N½, SW¼, W½SE¼;
- sec. 29: SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;
- sec. 31: lot 4, SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;
- sec. 32: All;
- sec. 33: NW14NE14, NW14, N1/2SW14, SW14SW14.

T. 40 N., R. 50 E.

- sec. 3: lots 25-29;
- sec. 4: lots 21, 22;
- sec. 5: lots 21-28.

T. 41 N., R. 50 E.

- sec. 1: NW1/4SW1/4, S1/2S1/2, NE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 2: SW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 10: SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 11: N½, SE¼SW¼, E½SE¼;

- sec. 12: All;
- sec. 13: N1/2, NE1/4SW1/4, S1/2S1/2, NE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 14: N1/2, SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 15: S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4;
- sec. 22: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 23: E½NE¼, NW¼, NW¼SW¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 24: All;
- sec. 25: NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 26: All;
- sec. 27: NW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, E1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 34: S1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 35: N1/2, SW1/4;
- sec. 36: W½NE¼, NW¼, E½SE¼.
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 - sec. 19: lot 4, E½, SE¼NW¼, E½SW¼;
 - sec. 29: SW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4;
 - sec. 30: lots 1-4, E1/2, E1/2W1/2;
 - sec. 31: lot 1, N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄;
 - sec. 32: N1/2NW1/4.

T. 40 N., R. 51 E.

- sec. 1: lots 2-4, S1/2NW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 2: lots 1, 2, 4, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, S½;
- sec. 3: lots 1-4, S½N½, SW¼, NW¼SE¼, SE¼SE¼;
- sec. 4: lots 1-4, SE1/4NE1/4, S1/2NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4, SE1/4;
- sec. 5: lots 1-4, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, E½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 6: lots 2-4, 7, SE1/4NW1/4, E1/2SW1/4;
- sec. 7: lots 1-3, E½NW¼;
- sec. 8: E½E½, NW¼NE¾, NW¼SE¼;
- sec. 9: W½E½, W½NW¼, NE¼SW¼, S½SW¼, SE¼SE¼;
- sec. 10: NE¼NE¼, S½NE¼, SE¼SW¼, N½SE¼, SW¼SE¼;
- sec. 11: N1/2NE1/4, SW1/4NE1/4, NW1/4, S1/2;
- sec. 12: W½NW¼;
- sec. 14: N½NE¼, SW¼NE¼, NW¼, N½SW¼, SW¼SW¼;
- sec. 15: N¹/₂, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;
- sec. 16: N¹/₂SW¹/₄, W¹/₂SE¹/₄;
- sec. 17: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄;
- sec. 20: NE¹/₄NE¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄;
- sec. 21: N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NW¼, W½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 22: All.

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- sec. 4: SE1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 5: S¹/₂;
- sec. 6: lots 5-7, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄;

- sec. 7: lots 1-4, E1/2, E1/2W1/2;
- sec. 8: All;
- sec. 9: NE¹/₄, E¹/₂W¹/₂, N¹/₂SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 10: NW1/4NW1/4;
- sec. 14: E½SW¼, SW¼SE¼;
- sec. 15: SW1/4SW1/4;
- sec. 16: NW1/4NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4, S1/2N1/2, S1/2;
- sec. 17: N½NE¼, SW¼NE¼, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, NE¼SE¼, S½SE¼;
- sec. 18: lots 1, 2, 4, N½NE¼, E½NW¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 19: lots 1, 2, 4, NW1/4NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, E1/2SE1/4;
- sec. 20: N1/2, NE1/4SW1/4, S1/2SW1/4, SE1/4;
- sec. 21: N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, N½NW¼, SW¼NW¼, SW¼, E½SE¼;
- sec. 22: S1/2NE1/4, W1/2NW1/4, E1/2SW1/4, SE1/4;
- sec. 23: W1/2, SE1/4;
- sec. 24: S½NW¼, SW¼, S½SE¼;
- sec. 25: N½NE¼, NW¼, NE¼SW¼, S½S½, NE¼SE¼;
- sec. 26: N1/2, NE1/4SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 27: E½, E½NW¼, N½SW¼, SW¼SW¼;
- sec. 28: W1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4, W1/2, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 29: E½, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼;
- sec. 30: lot 4, NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄SE¹/₄;
- sec. 31: lots 1-4, SE1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 32: E½, E½NW¼, SW¼;
- sec. 33: E½NE¼, SW¼NE¼, W½NW¼, SE¼NW½, SW¼, W½SE¼;
- sec. 34: NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂;
- sec. 35: N¹/₂NE¹/₄, SW¹/₄NE¹/₄, NW¹/₄, N¹/₂SW¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄;
- sec. 36: SW¼NE¼, NW¼NW¼, SE¼NW¼, NW¼SW¼, SE¼SW¼, N¼SE¼, SW¼SE¼.

T. 40 N., R. 52 E.

sec. 15, NE¹/₄NE¹/₄.

T. 41 N., R. 52 E.

- sec. 3: lots 1-3, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, N½SW¼, SW¼SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 4: lots 1-4, S½NE¼, NE¼SW¼, S½SW¼, SE¼;
- sec. 5: lot 1;
- sec. 8: SE¼NE¼, E½SE¼;
- sec. 9: N1/2NE1/4, W1/2;
- sec. 16: NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4;
- sec. 17: NE¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄.

T. 42 N., R. 52 E.

- sec. 27: SW1/4SW1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
- sec. 34: E½, E½SW¼.

T. 40 N., R. 53 E. sec. 6, lot 5.

ALLOTMENT

TOTAL ACREAGE SELECTED LANDS -- 54,039.01

Subject to valid existing rights, the public land identified above has been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and mineral laws.

In accordance with 43 CFR 4110.4-2(b), this Notice of Exchange Proposal constitutes 2 years' prior notification to grazing permittees affected by this action. Completion of the exchange may result in adjustments to the permitted use on public lands within the following grazing allotments:

PERMITTEE

Owyhee Allotment	Agri Beef Co.
Spanish Ranch Allotment	Ellison Ranching Co.
Squaw Valley Allotment	Ellison Ranching Co.
Tuscarora Allotment (Burns Field)	Dean Rhoads
Taylor Canyon Allotment FFR	James Wright

More detailed information concerning the proposed exchange may be obtained from Kenneth Nelson, Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, 3900 E. Idaho St., Elko, Nevada 89801, (702) 753-0200.

Interested parties may submit comments concerning the proposed exchange including notification of any liens, encumbrances, or other claims relating to the lands being considered for exchange to the District Manager, Elko Field Office, at the above address. In order to be considered in the environmental analysis of the proposed exchange, comments must be in writing to the District Manager and postmarked or delivered within 45 days of initial publication of this notice.

Dated: April 8, 1997

CLINTON R. OKE Acting District Manager

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December 24, 1997

Elko Creek Pock Creek

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

District Manager
Bureau of Land Management
United States Department of
the Interior
Elko Field Office
3900 E. Idaho Street
Elko, NV 89801

Re: N-60593 2200 (NV-013)

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is sent on behalf of this firm's client, Transamerica Minerals Company ("Transamerica"). We are responding to your office's November 14, 1997 letter to Mr. Terry Allred, Vice President and Manager of Transamerica. That letter was received by Mr. Allred's office on November 18, 1997.

Your November 14 letter sought comment on two Notices of Exchange Proposal (collectively, the "Notices"), which were mailed by your office to various parties (but not to Transamerica) on April 9, 1997 and April 24, 1997. Transamerica owns an undivided one-half mineral interest and associated surface rights in most of the 45,187.25 acres of land described in the Notices.

Transamerica was not aware of the proposed exchange until its receipt of your office's November 14 letter. Because Transamerica has not yet had an opportunity to review and analyze any of the specific terms of the proposed exchange, it is not in a position at this time to provide any substantive comments regarding that proposal. At this point, we have mainly questions, as to which we would appreciate your assistance in providing answers. Specifically:

1. Does the BLM intend to include Transamerica's one-half mineral interest and associated surface rights in the exchange?

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- A. If so, how does the BLM propose appraising the value of that mineral interest and those surface rights pursuant to 43 C.F.R. § § 2201.3, et seq. (1996)? Has a preliminary estimate of values of land been obtained pursuant to 43 C.F.R. § 2201.1(b) (1996)? If so, where may we review that estimate?
- B. If not, how does the BLM propose taking into consideration in its environmental analysis Transamerica's rights and interests and the effect of development of those mineral rights by Transamerica or its permittees? In particular, how would ownership and development of such privately owned interests be consistent with the use and management of the land by the United States or with the purpose for which the United States is acquiring those lands, as provided in 43 C.F.R. § 2201.8(c)(ii) (1996)?
- 2. 43 C.F.R. § 2200.0-6(g) (1996) requires that the BLM consider only land exchange proposals that are in conformance with land use plans and plan amendments. Are there land use plans or amendments in effect with respect to the lands described in the Notices, and, if so, where may we review those plans?
- 3. No specific regulation was cited to support the 45-day comment period requirement set forth in the Notices. The only regulation that we have found that specifies such a response period is 43 C.F.R. § 2201.2(b) (1996). If that is the regulation relied upon by the BLM, we assume that, pursuant to 43 C.F.R. § 2201.2(a) (1996), the BLM has entered into an agreement to initiate an exchange. If so, please identify for us the parties to that agreement, the date of the agreement, and where we may review that agreement. If the BLM has not yet entered into such an agreement, it would appear to us that it is premature to initiate the environmental analysis and 45-day comment period pursuant to 43 C.F.R. § 2201.2(b) (1996).
- 4. Where may we review the BLM's Manuals and Handbooks 2200 and 9310, which are described in 43 C.F.R. \S 2200.0-7 (1996) as supplementing the exchange procedures?

We anticipate that attorneys from this firm will be traveling to Reno and Elko on other business in January. It would be much appreciated if representatives of your office would provide us with access to the materials identified above. We will call Mr. Ken Nelson of your staff to establish a mutually convenient time and date.

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Thank you for your cooperation. Copies of this letter are being distributed via regular mail to the distribution parties identified in the Notices.

Very truly yours,

PARCEL, MAURO, HULTIN & SPAANSTRA, P.C.

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cc: Mr. Terry Allred, Vice President and Manager, Transamerica Minerals Company

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