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In Reply Refer To: 4130 (NV-015)

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CERTIFIED NO. Z-350-230-967 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Bertrand Paris & Sons HC 33 Box 33840 Ely, NV 89301

Upon review of our grazing case files, we have found that the Bertrand Paris & Sons term grazing permit will expire on February 29, 1996. In accordance with the new grazing regulations, permittees are now required to have a grazing permit in addition to their annual grazing license.

In December 1995, the Bureau sent Bertrand Paris & Sons a letter explaining the need to have a grazing permit, and included a listing of the terms and conditions that would apply to livestock grazing. In January 1996, Bertrand Paris & Sons signed and returned a form titled Acceptance of Terms and Conditions, and Request for Grazing Permit.

The BLM received comments from Bertrand Paris & Sons on February 1, 1996, and the Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses on February 12, 1996.

Creek Allotment. They have asked that they be allowed to use AUMs in the seedings normally used by sheep for cattle use, when the sheep won't be using these AUMs. Both sheep and cattle graze the seedings and this modification would allow the permittee to graze more AUMs with cattle and less with sheep in the seedings. Currently, 396 AUMs of sheep use are scheduled in the seedings. This modification would be limited to the seedings only and would have no affect on the native range in the allotment. The seasons of use within the seedings would remain as outlined in the Area Manager's Final Multiple Use Decision (FMUD) for the West Cherry Creek Allotment dated 9-30-94. The Wells Resource Area Office considers this request an acceptable modification, and have therefore incorporated this flexibility into the grazing permit for Bertrand Paris & Sons, as described below.

The Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses requested specific terms and conditions be provided to identify management actions necessary to achieve resource objectives of the multiple use decision. The Wells Resource Area Office felt the final multiple use decision of 9-30-94 already described specific management actions and should be referenced for specific details rather than reiterated in the grazing permit.

The grazing regulations require consultation, cooperation and coordination with affected permittees or lessees, the State having lands or responsibility for managing resources within the area, and interested public prior to the issuance or renewal of grazing permits or leases. In order to comply with the consultation requirements of the grazing regulations, the following decision is being issued:

AREA MANAGER'S FINAL DECISION

It is my final decision to approve a ten year term grazing permit (enclosed and described below) for the period 3/1/1996 through 2/28/2006.

Allotment	Livestock Number & Kind	Begin Period	End Period	%PL	Type Use	AUMs
West Cherry Creek	230 Cattle	5/01	9/30	96	active	1,111
West Cherry Creek	50 Cattle	10/01	10/31	96	active	49
West Cherry Creek	13 Cattle	8/01	8/31	100	active	13
West Cherry Creek	1,800 Sheep	5/01	5/14	96	active	159
West Cherry Creek	1,500 Sheep	5/15	5/31	96	active	161
West Cherry Creek	1,273 Sheep	6/01	10/25	96	active	1,181
				Total		2,674

Terms and Conditions

Line three is federal aums (13) fenced within private fields

Bertrand Paris & Sons may activate 396 sheep AUMs for cattle use in the seedings in the West Cherry Creek Allotment. The activation of the 396 AUMs would require prior approval by the authorized officer.

Authorized grazing use will be in accordance with the West Cherry Creek AMP, as amended by the Area Manager's Final Multiple Use Decision for the West Cherry Creek Allotment dated 9-30-94

Actual use will be submitted to this office within 15 days of livestock removal.

Supplemental feeding is limited to salt, mineral and/or protein supplements in block, granular or liquid form. Such supplements must be placed at least 1/4 mile from live waters (springs, streams and troughs), wet or dry meadows, and aspen stands.

All riparian exclosures, including spring development exclosures, are closed to livestock grazing unless specifically authorized.

Payment of grazing fees is due on or before the due date specified on the grazing bill. Failure to pay the grazing bill within 15 days of the due date specified on the bill shall result in a late fee assessment of \$25.00 or 10 percent of the grazing bill, whichever is greater, but not to exceed \$250.00

Mr. Paris please sign and return the enclosed permit.

Bertrand Paris & Sons will be the sole permittee in the West Cherry Creek Allotment.

An Allotment Evaluation for the West Cherry Creek Allotment was completed in December 1993. The Area Manager's Final Multiple Use Decision was issued on September 30, 1994. The grazing permit includes terms and conditions that livestock grazing be in accordance with the Final Multiple Use Decision.

Approval of the permit is consistent with the Wells Resource Management Plan.

Authority for this decision is found in 43 CFR 4100.0-8, 4110.2-2, 4130.2, 4130.3, 4160.1 and 4160.3.

Any applicant, permittee or other person whose interest is adversely affected by the final decision may file an appeal and petition for a stay of the decision pending final determination on the appeal. The appeal and petition for stay must be filled in the office of the authorized officer as noted above, within 30 days following receipt of the final decision.

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 a stay, the appellant shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- (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, and
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

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

Sincerely yours,

7 BILL BAKER, Manager

Wells Resource Area

Enclosure: as state above

cc: The Nature Conservancy

Natural Resources Defense Council

Nevada Dept. of Agriculture

Nevada Division of Wildlife

Sierra Club, Toiyabe Chapter

Animal Protection Institute of America

Wild Horse Organized Assistance

Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses

Gordon Temoak

US Fish and Wildlife Service

W. Shoshone Historic Preservation Society

Wells Resource Area Grazing Assn.

Rutgers Law School

Kathryn Cushman

American Horse Protection Association, Inc.

Cliff Gardner

Farm Credit Services

Louise Lear

Edie Wilson

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

GRAZING PERMIT

STATE NV OFFICE 015 OPERATOR NUMBER 271036 PREFERENCE CODE 03 DATE PRINTED 02/26/96 TERM 03/01/1996 TO 02/28/200

2/26/96

PARIS, BERT AND SONS

HC 33 BOX 33840 ELY, NV 89301

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WELLS RESOURCE AREA P.O. BOX 831 ELKO, NV 89803

THIS GRAZING PERMIT IS OFFERED TO YOU BASED ON YOUR RECOGNIZED GRAZING PREFERENCE ON THE PUBLIC LANDS AND/OR OTHER LANDS ADMINISTERED BY THE BLM. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE GRAZING USE TO THE EXTENT OF YOUR ACTIVE GRAZING PREFERENCE AS SHOWN BELOW UPON YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCORPORATED HEREIN AND YOUR PAYMENT OF GRAZING FEES.

PASTURE	LIVESTO NUMBER	KIND	GRAZING BEGIN	PERIOD END	%PL	TYPE USE	AUM"S
04350 WEST CHERRY	CREEK						
	230	CATTLE	.05/01	09/30	96	ACTIVE	1111
	50	CATTLE	10/01	10/31	96	ACTIVE	49
	13	CATTLE	08/01	08/30	100	ACTIVE	13
	1800	SHEEP	05/01	05/14	96	ACTIVE	159
	1500	SHEEP	05/15	05/31	96	ACTIVE	161
	1273	SHEEP	06/01	10/25	96	ACTIVE	1181

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

LINE THREE IS FEDERAL AUMS (13) FENCED WITH PRIVATE FIELDS.

BERTRAND PARIS & SONS MAY ACTIVATE 396 AUMS FOR CATTLE USE IN THE SEEDINGS IN THE WEST CHERRY CREEK ALLOTMENT. THE ACTIVATION OF THE 396 AUMS WOULD REQUIRE PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE AUTHORIZED OFFICER.

AUTHORIZED GRAZING WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WEST CHERRY CREEK AMP, AS AMENDED BY THE AREA MANAGER'S FINAL MULTIPLE USE DECISION FOR THE WEST CHERRY CREEK ALLOTMENT DATED 9/30/94.

ACTUAL USE WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE WITHIN 15 DAYS OF LIVESTOCK REMOVAL.

SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING IS LIMITED TO SALT, MINERAL AND/OR PROTEIN SUPPLEMENTS IN BLOCK, GRANULAR OR LIQUID FORM. SUCH SUPPLEMENTS

AREA MANAGER:

OPERATOR NUMBER:

DATE

271036

MUST BE PLACED AT LEAST 1/4 MILE FROM LIVE WATERS (SPRINGS, STREAMS, AND TROUGHS), WET OR DRY MEADOWS, AND ASPEN STANDS.

ALL RIPARIAN EXCLOSURES, INCLUDING SPRING DEVELOPMENT EXCLOSURES, ARE CLOSED TO LIVESTOCK USE UNLESS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY THE AREA MANAGER.

PAYMENT OF GRAZING FEES IS DUE ON OR BEFORE THE DUE DATE SPECIFIED ON THE GRAZING BILL. FAILURE TO PAY THE GRAZING BILL WITHIN 15 DAYS OF THE DUE DATE SPECIFIED ON THE BILL SHALL RESULT IN A LATE FEE ASSESSMENT OF \$25.00 OR 10 PERCENT OF THE GRAZING BILL, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, BUT NOT TO EXCEED \$250.00.

ALLOTMENT SUMMARY (AUM'S)				
	PREF	ERENCE		
ALLOT	ACTIVE	SUSP TOTAL		
04350 WEST CHERRY CREEK	2674	2674		
THIS PERMIT ; 1. CONVEYS NO				UNITED STATES
IN ANY LANDS OR RESOURCES AND				
CANCELLATION AS REQUIRED BY	LAND PLANS	AND APPLICAB	LE LAW; (B) AN	NUAL REVIEW
AND TO MODIFICATION OF TERMS	AND CONDIT	TIONS AS APPR	OPRIATE; AND (C) THE TAYLOR
GRAZING ACT, AS AMENDED, TI	HE FEDERAL	L LAND POLIC	Y AND MANAGEM	ENT ACT, AS
AMENDED, THE PUBLIC RANGELAN	OS IMPROVE	MENT ACT, AND	THE RULES AND	REGULATIONS
NOW OR HEREAFTER PROMULGATED	THEREUNDE	R BY THE SECR	ETARY OF THE I	NTERIOR.
ACCEPTED:				
SIGNATURE OF PERMITTEE:			DATE_	