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In Reply Refer To: 4130 (NV-012)

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Kay and Mary Kay Lear HC 33 Box 33865 Ely, NV 89301

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Lear:

On March 22, 1999, we received your application to transfer grazing privileges for the McDermid Unit of the Currie Allotment and the Bald Mountain Allotment from Louise Lear to Kay and Mary Kay Lear (see the enclosed map for the allotment locations). Based on the application, we propose to offer a term grazing permit. The term of this permit will be from March 30, 1999 to March 29, 2004. Upon renewal of the base property lease, a new permit would be issued for the term of the lease. If the base property lease is not renewed, the permit will revert back to Louise Lear.

The new grazing regulations require the authorized officer to consult, cooperate, and coordinate (CCC) with affected permittees, the State agencies responsible for managing resources within the area, and the interested public prior to the issuance of grazing permits (43 CFR 4130.2(b)). Therefore, a copy of this letter and a copy of the acceptance form will be sent to anyone who has expressed an interest in the Currie Allotment. **The interested public is being asked to provide comment by April 16, 1999.** You will be notified of any changes to terms and conditions that may be warranted as a result of comments received.

The Currie Allotment is within the Antelope Valley Wild Horse Herd Management Area. The Bald Mountain Allotment is within the Maverick/Medicine Herd Management Area.

If we propose to change the terms and conditions following the comment period, we will keep you and the other interested parties informed. Following the comment period, we will also decide if a proposed decision to offer you a term grazing permit will be needed. If a proposed decision is necessary, it will be sent to the interested public and will include a 15-day period for protest and a 30-day period for appeal after the decision has become final.

The terms and conditions outlined are consistent with the Wells Resource Management Plan and have been analyzed in the Wells Resource Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Bruce Thompson, the assigned Rangeland Management Specialist at (702) 753-0200. If you would prefer to discuss this matter in person, please call to set up an appointment with us so that we may respond to any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

CLINTON R. OKE,

Ros Price, for

Assistant Field Office, Manager

Renewable Resources

Enclosure(s): As stated above

cc: Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses

Wild Horse Organized Assistance

Louise Lear

Indian Creek Ranch

Nevada Cattlemen's Assn.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Resource Concepts, Inc.

Nevada Division of Wildlife

Elko Board of Co. Commissioners

White Pine Board of Co. Comissioners

Bureau of Land Management - Ely Field Office

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS & CONDITIONS and REQUEST FOR GRAZING PERMIT

We, Kay and Mary Kay Lear, agree to accept the Terms & Conditions listed below and request that we be offered a Grazing Permit to graze the allotment in which we have a grazing preference.

Proposed Terms & Conditions

Allotment Currie Allotment	Livestock Number & Kind	Begin Period	End Period	% PL	Type Use	AUMs
McDermid Unit	51 cattle	03/01	03/31	100	Custodial	51
	351 cattle	05/01	06/30	96	Active	676
	300 cattle	07/01	10/14	96	Active	1004
Total Mc	Dermid Unit of the C	urrie Allotn	nent			1,732
Bald Mountain Allotment	124 cattle	06/01	09/15	100	Active	440

Terms and Conditions:

There are 1,034 historic suspended AUMs attached to this grazing permit.

The McDermid Unit includes 630 AUMs active use in White Pine County (McDermid Creek Allotment).

Grazing will be in accordance with the Currie Allotment Management Plan signed January 20, 1987.

Actual use data on all pastures must be submitted to this office within 15 days from the last day of use.

The term of the grazing permit will be for the period of the lease (initially 5 years) with renewals approved concurrent with the lease up to 10 years.

Pursuant 43 CFR 10.4(g) the holder of this authorization must notify the authorized officer, by telephone, with written confirmation, immediately upon the discovery of human remains, funerary items, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony. Further, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(c) and (d), you must stop activities in the immediate vicinity of the discovery and protect it from your activities for 30 days or until notified to proceed by the authorized officer.

The terms and conditions of your permit may be modified if additional information indicates that revision is necessary to conform to 43 CFR 4180.

Supplemental feeding is limited to salt, mineral, and/or protein supplements in block, granular, or liquid form. Such supplements must be placed at least ¼ mile from live waters (springs and streams), 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.

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.

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