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In Reply Refer To:
4130 (NV-012)

Indian Creek Ranch
c/o Greg Johnson
P.O. Box 6311
Elko, NV 89802

APR - 7 1999

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On March 11, 1999, you informed our office that the base property lease between Indian Creek Ranch and Sonya Hesterlee, Brett and Karen Spahan had been canceled. You also submitted the necessary application forms for a new term grazing permit within the McDermid Unit of the Currie Allotment to be in the name of Indian Creek Ranch. Based on the application and your acceptance of the terms and conditions, we propose to offer you a term grazing permit. The term of this permit will be from April 16, 1999 to April 15, 2009.

*10 year permit
your ranch*

Indian Creek Ranch has owned the base property since 1985 and they have leased it out since then. In accordance with 43 CFR 4110.2-1(d), the grazing preference shall remain with the base property and will be available to you through the application process as the person in control of the base property.

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 22, 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.

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,
Assistant Field, Manager
Renewable Resources

Enclosure(s): As stated above

cc: Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses
Wild Horse Organized Assistance
Louise Lear
Kay and Mary Kay Lear
Nevada Cattlemen's Assn.
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Resource Concepts, Inc.
Nevada Division of Wildlife
Elko Board of Co. Commissioners

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS & CONDITIONS and
REQUEST FOR GRAZING PERMIT

We, Indian Creek Ranch, 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

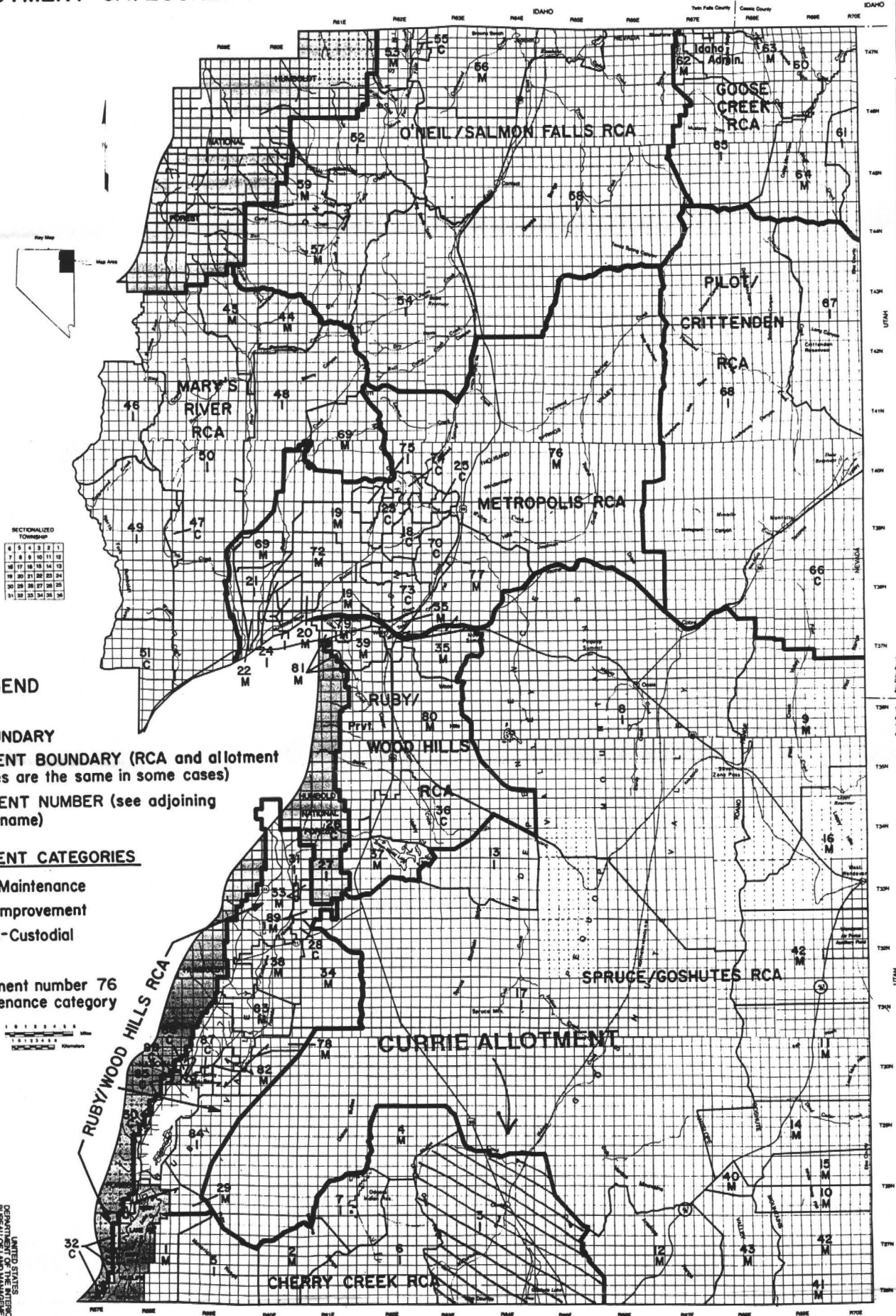
<i>Allotment</i> <i>Currie Allotment</i>	<i>Livestock</i> <i>Number & Kind</i>	<i>Begin</i> <i>Period</i>	<i>End</i> <i>Period</i>	<i>% PL</i>	<i>Type Use</i>	<i>AUMs</i>
McDermid Unit	230 cattle	11/01	02/28	100	Active	910
Total McDermid Unit of the Currie Allotment						910
<p><i>Terms and Conditions:</i> There are no historic suspended AUMs attached to this grazing permit.</p> <p>Grazing will be in accordance with the Currie Allotment Management Plan signed January 20, 1987.</p> <p>Actual use data on all pastures must be submitted to this office within 15 days from the last day of use.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The terms and conditions of your permit may be modified if additional information indicates that revision is necessary to conform to 43 CFR 4180.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>All riparian enclosures, including spring development enclosures, are closed to livestock use unless specifically authorized in writing.</p> <p>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.</p>						

The term of this permit would be from April 16, 1999 to April 15, 2009.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

RESOURCE CONFLICT AREAS (RCA), GRAZING ALLOTMENTS AND ALLOTMENT CATEGORIZATION



SECTIONALIZED TOWNSHIP

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36

LEGEND

- RCA BOUNDARY
- ALLOTMENT BOUNDARY (RCA and allotment boundaries are the same in some cases)
- 76** ALLOTMENT NUMBER (see adjoining page for name)

ALLOTMENT CATEGORIES

- M-Maintenance
- I-Improvement
- C-Custodial

EXAMPLE:

- 76-Allotment number 76
- M-Maintenance category



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