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Transfer of Grazing Privileges on the Antelope Valley Allotment

Dear Interested Public:

Vidler Water Company Inc. has submitted a request to transfer grazing privileges on the Antelope Valley Allotment from Reed Robison to Vidler Water Company Inc.. The full permitted use of 2,691 AUMs would be transferred. The Antelope Valley Allotment is located approximately 20 miles south of Wendover, Nevada, and is normally grazed by cattle from November 1 to May 31 as outlined in the Antelope Valley Final Multiple Use Decision (FMUD) and Badlands and Goshute Mountain FMUD. Based on the transfer application, we propose to offer a term grazing permit. The term of this permit would be from November 15, 2000 to November 14, 2010. This allotment is within the Antelope Valley Wild Horse Herd Management Area.

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 Antelope Valley Allotment. **The interested public is being asked to provide comment within 15 days of the date of this letter.** You will be notified of any changes to terms and conditions that may be warranted as a result of comments received.

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 Vidler Water Company Inc., 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 of the grazing permit are attached and are consistent with the Wells Resource Management Plan.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Bruce Thompson, the assigned Rangeland Management Specialist at (775) 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: As stated above

cc: Vidler Water Company Inc.
Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses
Charles and John Young
HTT Resource Advisors
Resource Concepts, Inc.
Nevada Cattlemen's Association
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Nevada Division of Wildlife
Elko Board of Co. Commissioners
M. Jeanne Hermann
Wild Horse Organized Assistance

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS & CONDITIONS and
REQUEST FOR GRAZING PERMIT

We, Vidler Water Company Inc. accept the Terms & Conditions listed below and request that we be offered a Grazing Permit to graze the allotment in which we have applied for a grazing preference.

Proposed Terms & Conditions

<i>Allotment</i>	<i>Livestock Number & Kind</i>	<i>Begin Period</i>	<i>End Period</i>	<i>% PL</i>	<i>Type Use</i>	<i>AUMs</i>
Antelope Valley Allotment	316 Cattle	11/01	02/28	100	Active	1,523
	316 Cattle	03/01	05/31	100	Active	1,168

Terms and Conditions:

There are 130 historic suspended AUMs attached to this grazing permit.

As outlined in the Antelope Valley Final Multiple Use Decision 2,555 AUMs are placed into non-use for conservation and protection of Federal Range.

Authorized grazing will be in accordance with the Area manager's Final Multiple Use Decision for the Antelope Valley Allotment dated December 22, 1994.

Authorized grazing will be in accordance with the Final Multiple Use Decision for the Badlands and Goshute Mountain Allotment dated June 18, 1998.

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

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.

The term of this permit would be from November 15, 2000 to November 14, 2010.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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