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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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8-24-94
AUG 24 1994

Wild Horse Organized Assistance
c/o Dawn Lappin
15640 Sylvester Road
Reno, NV 89511

Dear Dawn:

RE: Susanville/Winnemucca Division Fence on Frog and Buffalo Creeks.

On the July 27 field tour to Frog and Buffalo Creeks, we discussed a variety of fencing and management options to resolve the fencing dispute. It is our understanding that the group will consider two different fencing options. The first option is for the reconstruction of the existing fences with strict stipulations concerning the opening and closing of gates and disregarding the long term fence flagged near the Stone Corral Road, and the second option proposed by Brent Espil that requires two gap fences be constructed.

Enclosed are maps and descriptions of the two fencing proposals. Please review and provide your comments to BLM, Eagle Lake Resource Area, by September 20.

If you have any questions, contact Steve Surian or Ken Visser of my staff at (916) 257-0456.

We appreciate your continued interest in this issue and look forward to resolving this dilemma.

Sincerely,

Gerri Jenkins
Acting Area Manager

Enclosure
As stated

BLM FROG/BUFFALO CREEK FENCE PROPOSAL

II. Proposed Action.

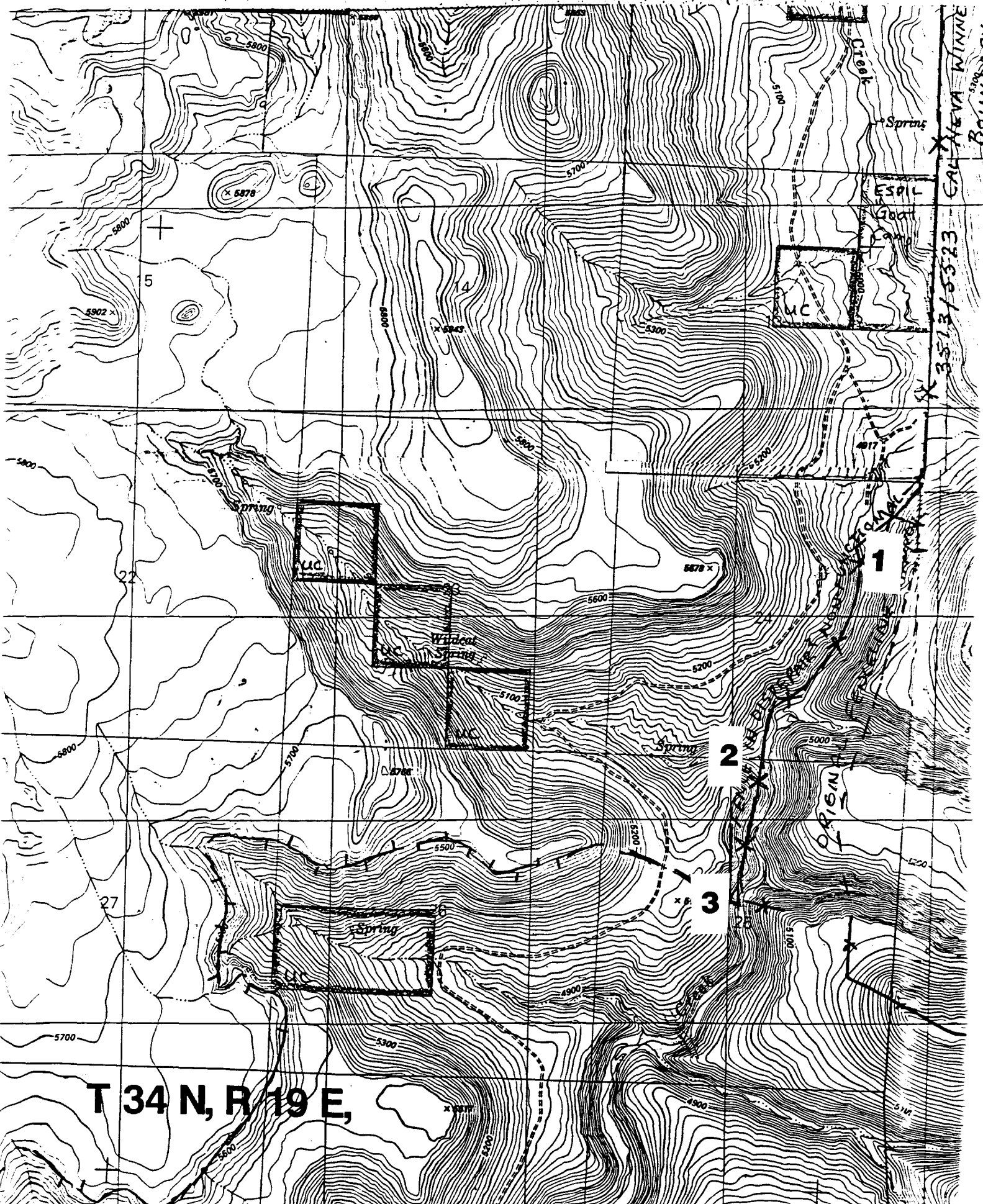
A. Repair present gates and fences and implement the following stipulations:

1. When the Jacksons turn out on April 1st in Buffalo Hills Allotment, they will close gate 3 (map reference # 3) at the base of Wrangler Canyon. This gate prevents Jackson cattle drifting down Buffalo Creek Canyon. When they leave Buffalo Hills, they will be responsible for opening gate 3. The gate must be opened by November 1st each year. Gate 3 will remain open on non-use years unless Espil has a problem with cattle drifting up Buffalo Creek Canyon, in which event he will close the gate. He will then be responsible for reopening it by November 1st.
2. Current gates 1 and 2 (map references 1 & 2) will be closed by Espil on alternate years when he enters the north pasture of Twin Peaks Allotment and reopened when he leaves every year, or no later than November 1st. Espil's season of use alternates yearly between March 1 to December 31 and July 1 to December 31. However, due to weather conditions, he usually turns out after March 31. November 1 will always be the cut-off date for gate openings. On years when the Jacksons precede Espil into the area, they will close gates 1, 2, and 3.

Espil will open the gates when he leaves the north pasture or by November 1, whichever is earliest.

3. When the gates are left open for the winter, the gates will be wired open or removed to prevent their being inadvertently closed.
 4. Both Susanville District and Winnemucca District will check with permittees to see if gates are open by November 1. Someone from either district will also physically check to see if the gates are wired open or removed.
- B. Both permittees would have fence maintenance responsibilities.

BUFFALO FROG CREEK FENCE PROPOSALS



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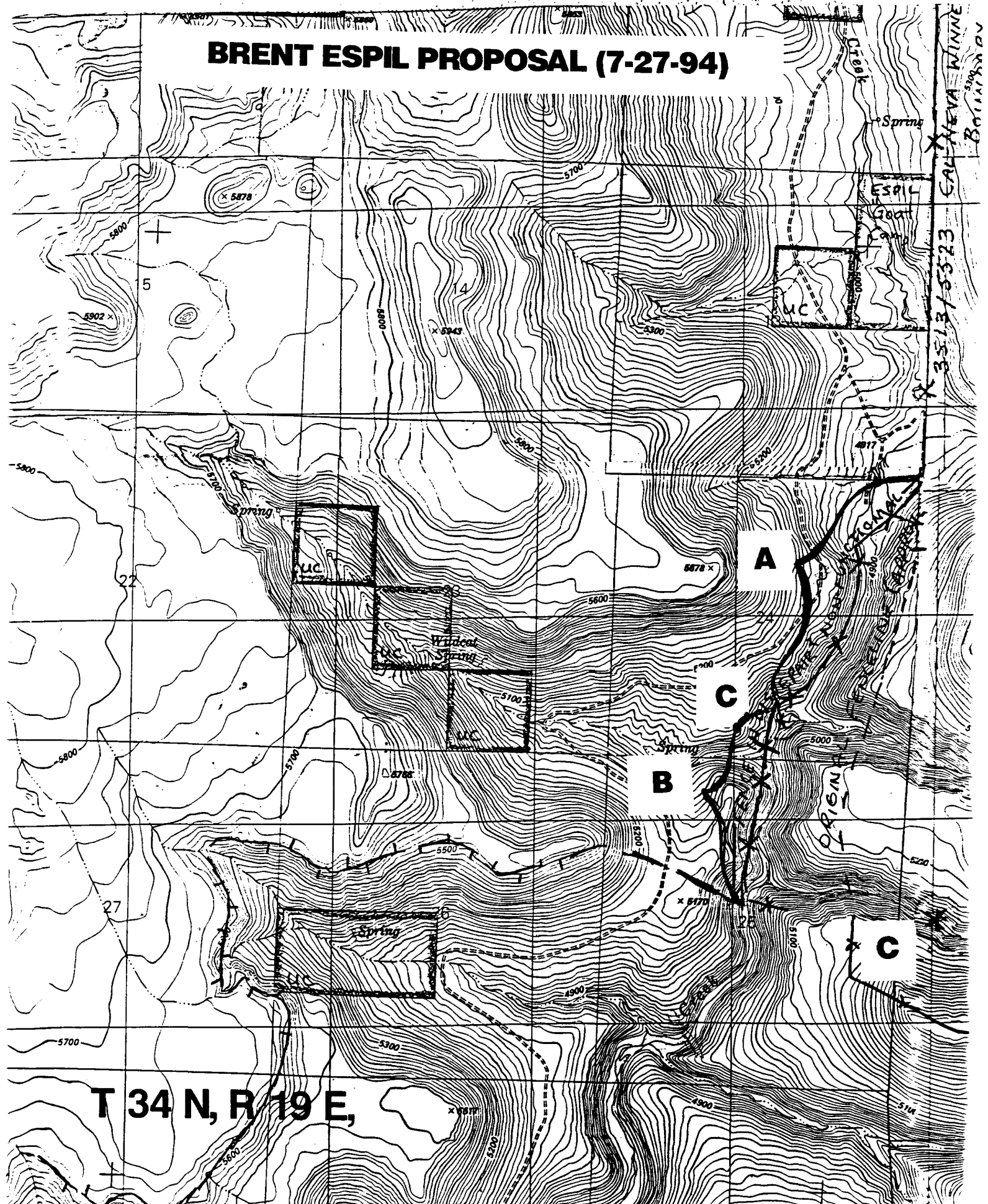
BRENT ESPIL FENCING PROPOSAL (JULY 27, 1994)

Repair segment A on map 2, abandon and remove segment B, and construct two short gap fences with gates at points C (as identified in the circles).

Requirements to open and close the gates would be same as the BLM proposal.

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BRENT ESPIL PROPOSAL (7-27-94)



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