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In Reply Refer To: 4110 (NV-045.09)

Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Ely Field Office has completed a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) to Renew the Term Permit for Dean Carter and Sons (#2705027) for the Rattlesnake Allotment (#1058) (EA NV-040-07-016). The EA is posted on the Ely Field Office web page at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/ely_field_office.html. You are receiving this letter because you expressed interest in the Rattlesnake Allotment in your reply to the Ely Field Office 2007 annual Consultation, Cooperation, and Coordination letter.

The proposed action is to renew the term grazing permit for Dean Carter and Sons and authorize livestock grazing on the Rattlesnake Allotment. The allotment encompasses 39,948 acres of BLM managed lands in Lincoln County, Nevada. The issuance of the term grazing permit would be for a period of ten years from 9/30/2007 to 09/29/2017. An evaluation of the allotment monitoring data indicates the Mojave Southern Great Basin Standards for Rangeland Health are not being achieved. The proposed action proposes changes to the term permit to make progress toward achieving the Standards and conformance with the Guidelines.

Please review the EA and provide by July 9, 2007, any written comments or concerns regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment to Renew the Grazing Permit for Dean Carter and Sons (#2705027) for the Rattlesnake Allotment (#1058) EA # NV-040-07-016.

Please address all comments to:

Shirley Johnson, Rangeland Management Specialist Bureau of Land Management P.O. Box 237 Caliente, NV 89007

Please note, before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment including your personal identifying information may be made publicly available at any time.

While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions about this term permit renewal EA, please contact Shirley Johnson, Rangeland Management Specialist at (775) 726-8100.

Sincerely,

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