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Cathy Barcomb
Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses
Stewart Facility
Capital Complex
Carson City, NV 89710

Dear Cathy:

As per your request, enclosed is available information pertaining to livestock, wild horse and burro use in the Mt. Stirling Allotment.

We are currently in the data collection process for the Allotment Evaluation, which is due at the end of FY 93. Upon completion of the draft, your organization will be given a chance to review the document as an affected interest and to express your comments and concerns.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Jeff Steinmetz of this office at (702) 647-5000.

Sincerely,

Runore Wycoff
Area Manager

7 Enclosures

1. Explanation of Livestock, Wild Horse and Burro Use
2. Actual Grazing Use Report
3. Map 1, Mt. Stirling Allotment Map
4. Map 2, Southern Nye Herd Management Areas
5. Maps 3 & 4, Livestock, Wild Horse & Burro Use Areas
6. Maps 5 & 6, Use Pattern Maps
7. Esmeralda-Southern Nye RPS (June 1988)

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LIVESTOCK GRAZING

Livestock grazing has been yearlong since priority use was established. During the late spring, summer, and early fall, livestock are in the upper elevational areas of the allotment near Big Timber Springs, Jaybird Spring, and Crystal Spring, all of which are in the Toiyabe National Forest. As the temperatures cool down in the late fall - early winter, the livestock trail down into the lower elevational desert area near the Owens Waterhaul which is managed by the Bureau of Land Management. No livestock grazing occurs in the Johnnie - Grapevine Spring area. Maps three and four show areas of livestock and wild horse use and location of waters.

Wild Horses and Burros

The Mt. Stirling Allotment is located within the historic Mt. Stirling and Last Chance Herd Management Areas. Based on the 1988 census, approximately 35 wild horses and 50 wild burros are within the Mt. Stirling HMA while another 50 burros are in the Last Chance HMA year-round. It should be remembered that these population levels are not set and may vary due to the proximity of the Mt. Stirling - Wallace Canyon Herd Use Area and seasonal variations in temperatures and quality of feed. Population levels in the two herd management areas may triple at times due to seasonal migrations. Wild horse and burro use occurs throughout the allotment. However, the majority of horses and burros are found in the Johnnie - Grapevine Springs area. Small bands of burros and horses have been seen in the Stirling Mine area.

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ACTUAL GRAZING USE REPORT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the permit or lease which authorizes your grazing use, please complete this form and return to the Resource Area Office within 15 days after completing your authorized grazing use (43 CFR 4130.6-2(d)). This information, along with other studies data, is needed to evaluate the effectiveness of present management. Use a separate line for every day that you either turn livestock in or take livestock out of an allotment or pasture. Your cooperation in providing accurate information will be appreciated.

Allotment

Mt. Stirling 05492

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ACTUAL GRAZING USE

CALCULATION OF AUM'S GRAZING USE

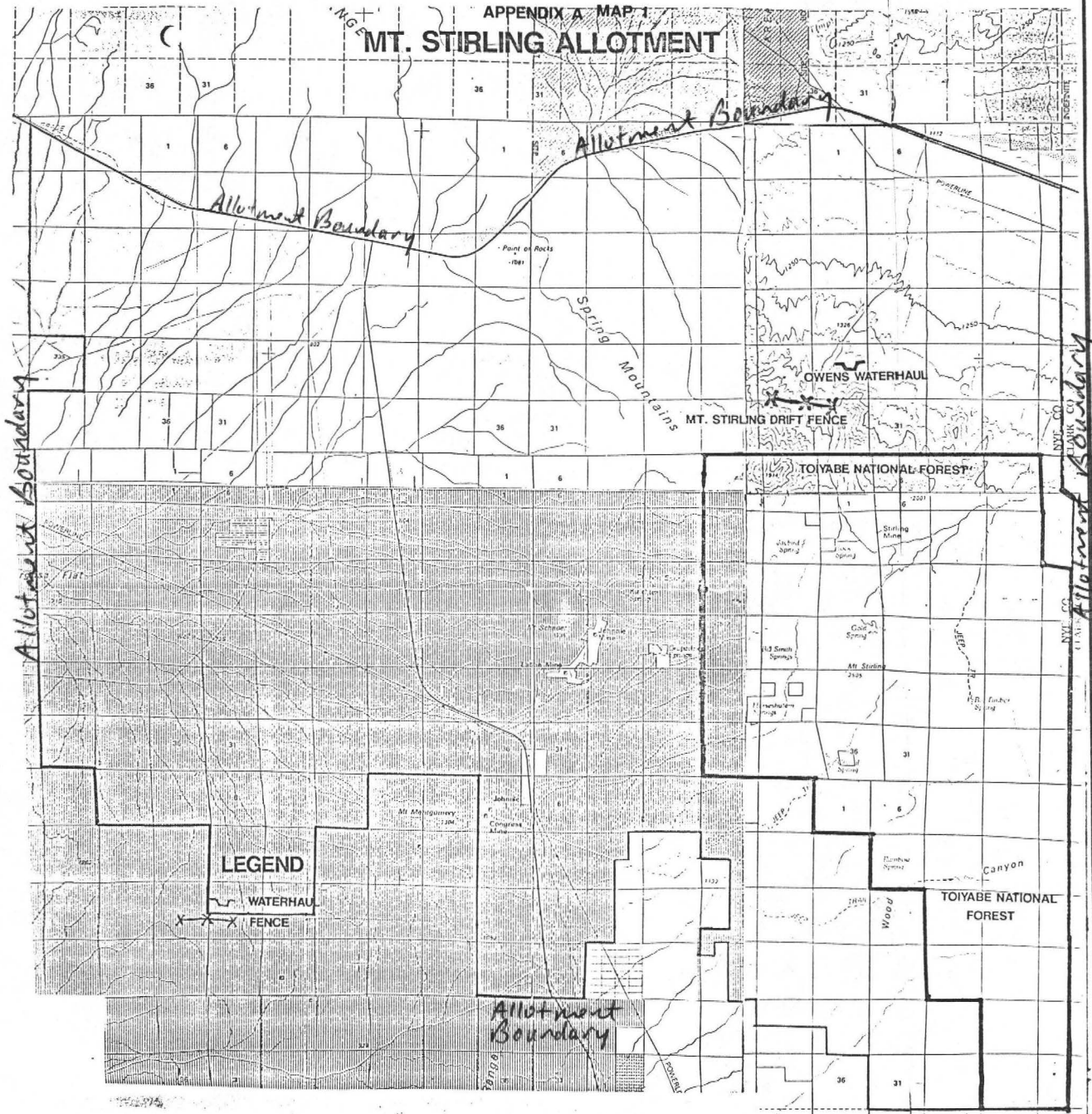
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		TURNED IN	TAKEN OUT		BEGIN	END		
<i>Big Timer</i>	<i>7-28-90</i>	100	<i>60 C</i>					
<i>Haybird</i>	<i>11-1-90</i>		<i>30 C</i>					
<i>WATER HAUL</i>	<i>11-1-90</i>	<i>30 C</i>						
<i>WATER HAUL</i>	<i>5-1-90</i>		<i>40 C</i>					

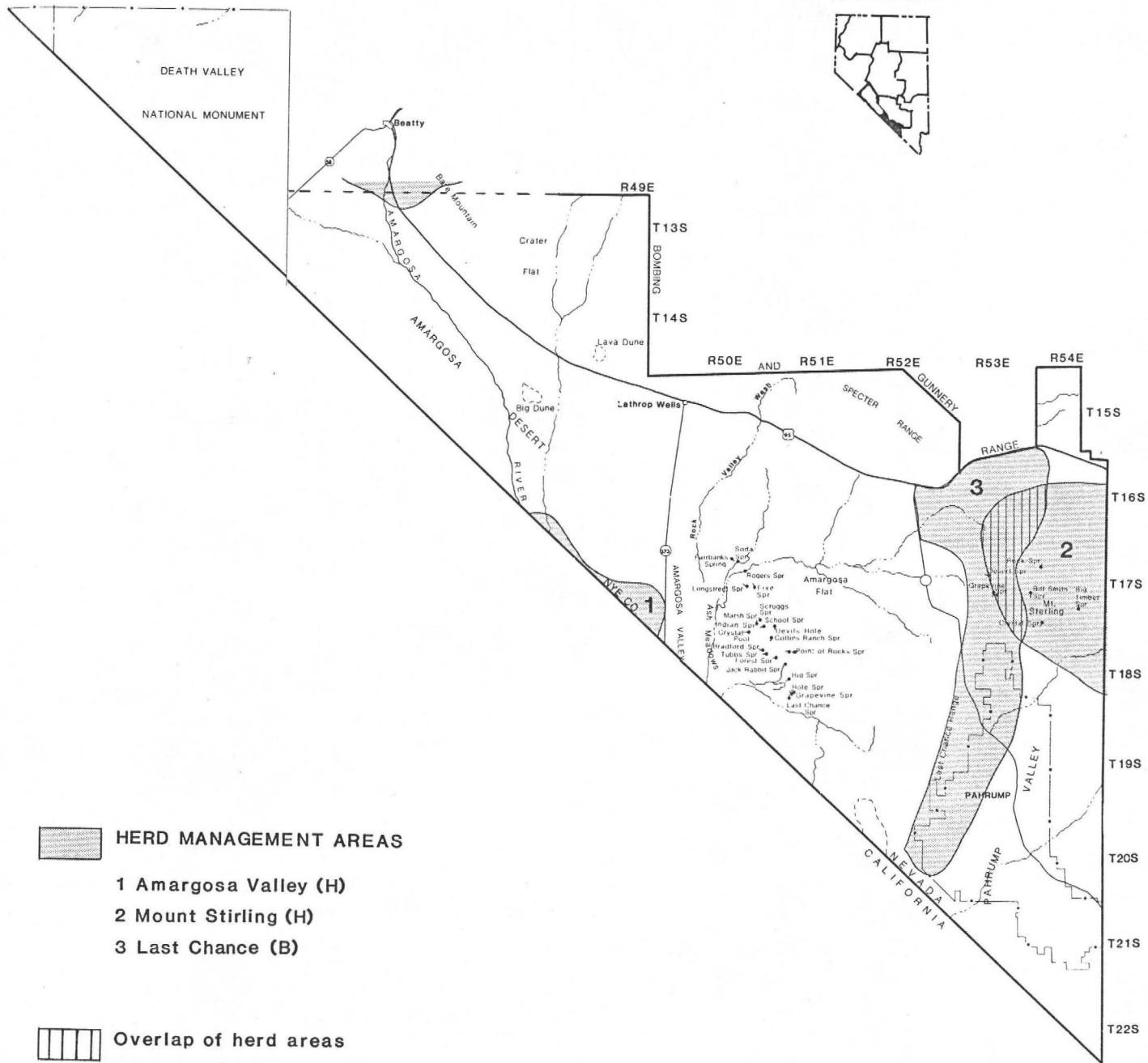
I CERTIFY That this is a complete and accurate report of my grazing use.

Signature of Permittee/Leassee *Chad Baird* Date *4-15-91*

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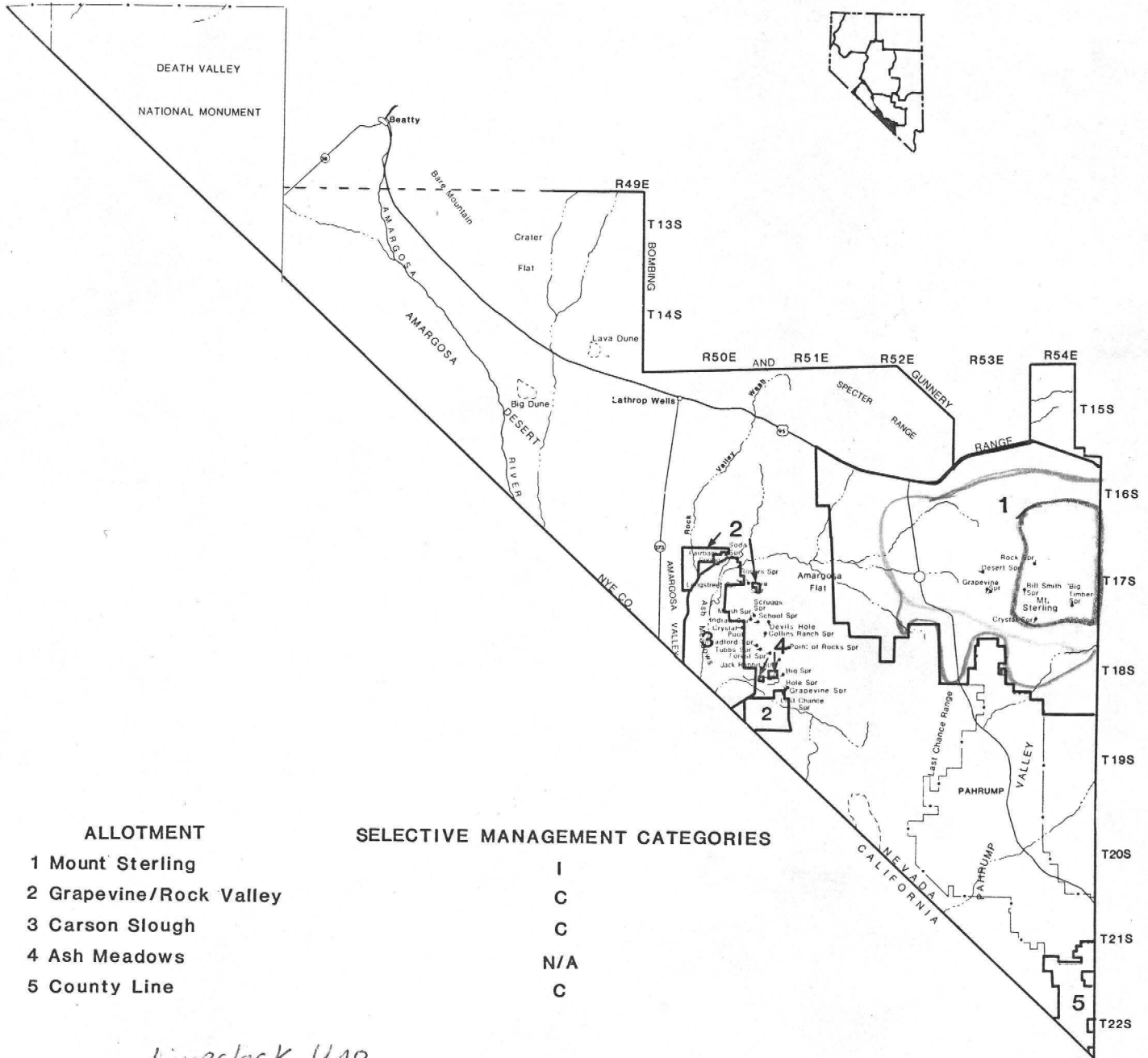
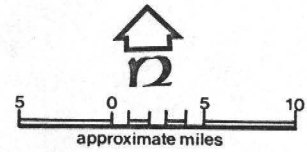
APPENDIX A MAP 1
MT. STIRLING ALLOTMENT





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WILD HORSE AND BURRO HERD MANAGEMENT AREAS
 and HERD MANAGEMENT AREA PLANS

MAP 3



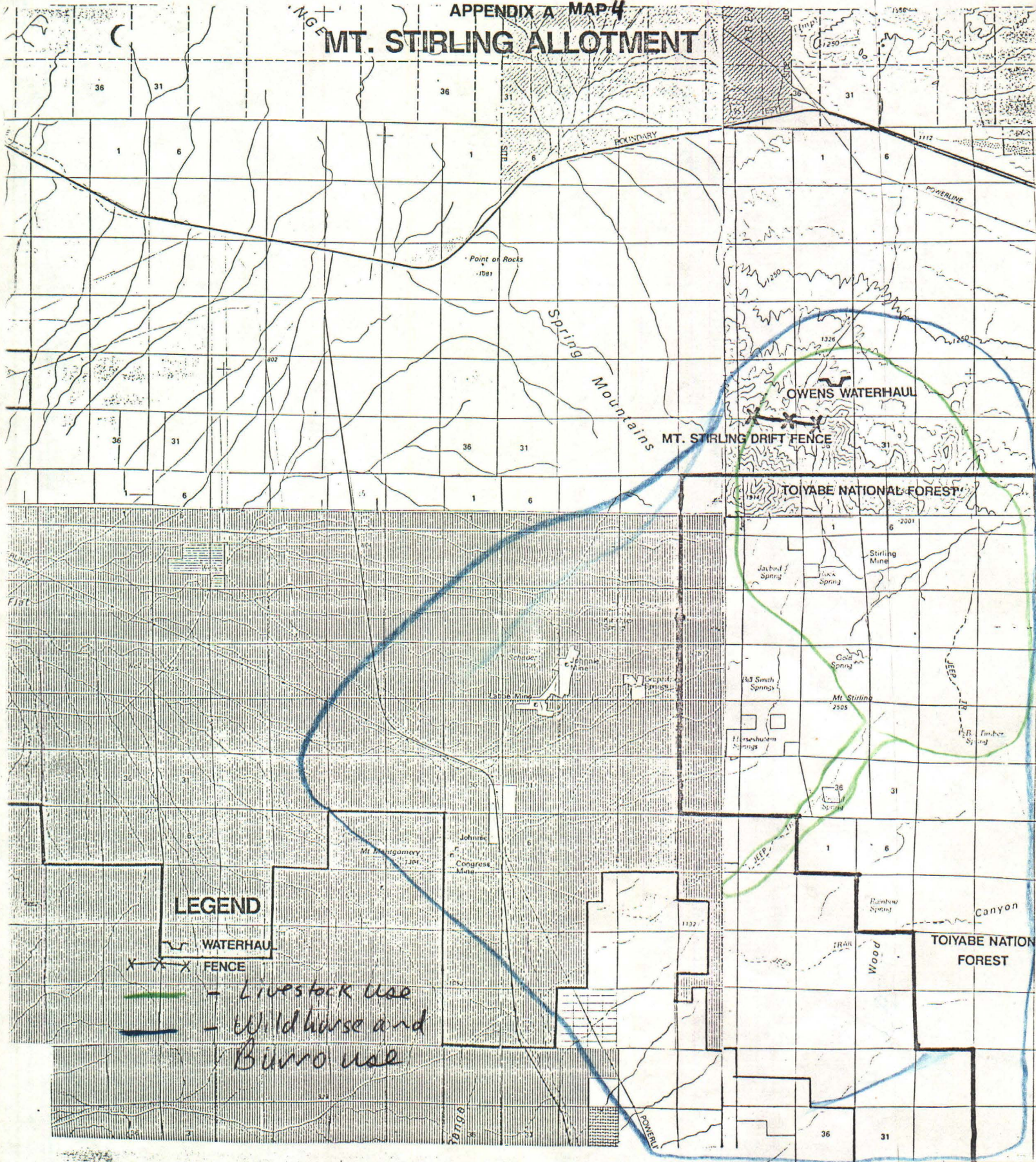
ALLOTMENT	SELECTIVE MANAGEMENT CATEGORIES
1 Mount Sterling	I
2 Grapevine/Rock Valley	C
3 Carson Slough	C
4 Ash Meadows	N/A
5 County Line	C

— Limestone Use





— Wildhorse and burro use

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APPENDIX A MAP 4
MT. STIRLING ALLOTMENT



LEGEND

-  WATERHAUL
-  FENCE
-  - Livestock Use
-  - Wild Horse and Burro use

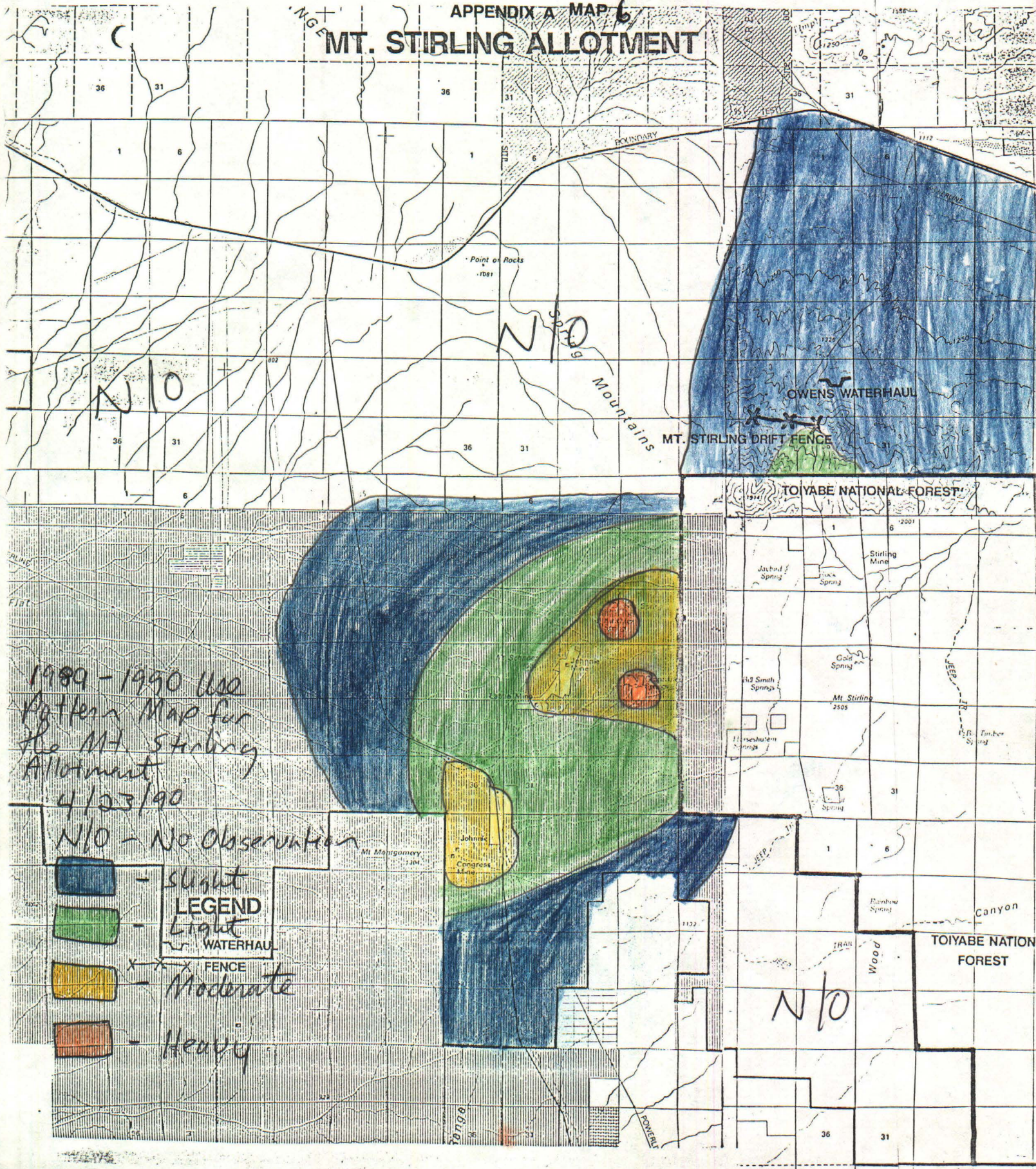
APPENDIX A MAP 5
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1990-1991 LEGEND
 5/2/91
 WATERHAUL FENCE

TOIYABE NATION, FOREST

APPENDIX A MAP 6
MT. STIRLING ALLOTMENT



1989 - 1990 Use
 Pattern Map for
 the Mt. Stirling
 Allotment
 4/23/90

N/O - No Observation

- slight
 - light
 - Moderate
 - Heavy
- WATERHAUL
x - FENCE

LEGEND

N/O

TOIYABE NATION FOREST