STATE OF NEVADA

PROOF OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER FOR STOCK WATERING OR WILDLIFE PURPOSES

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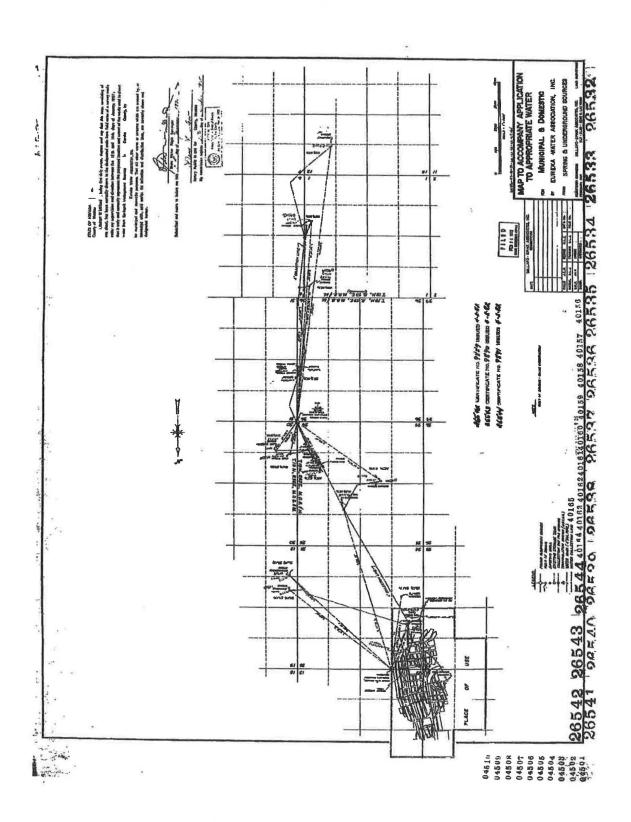
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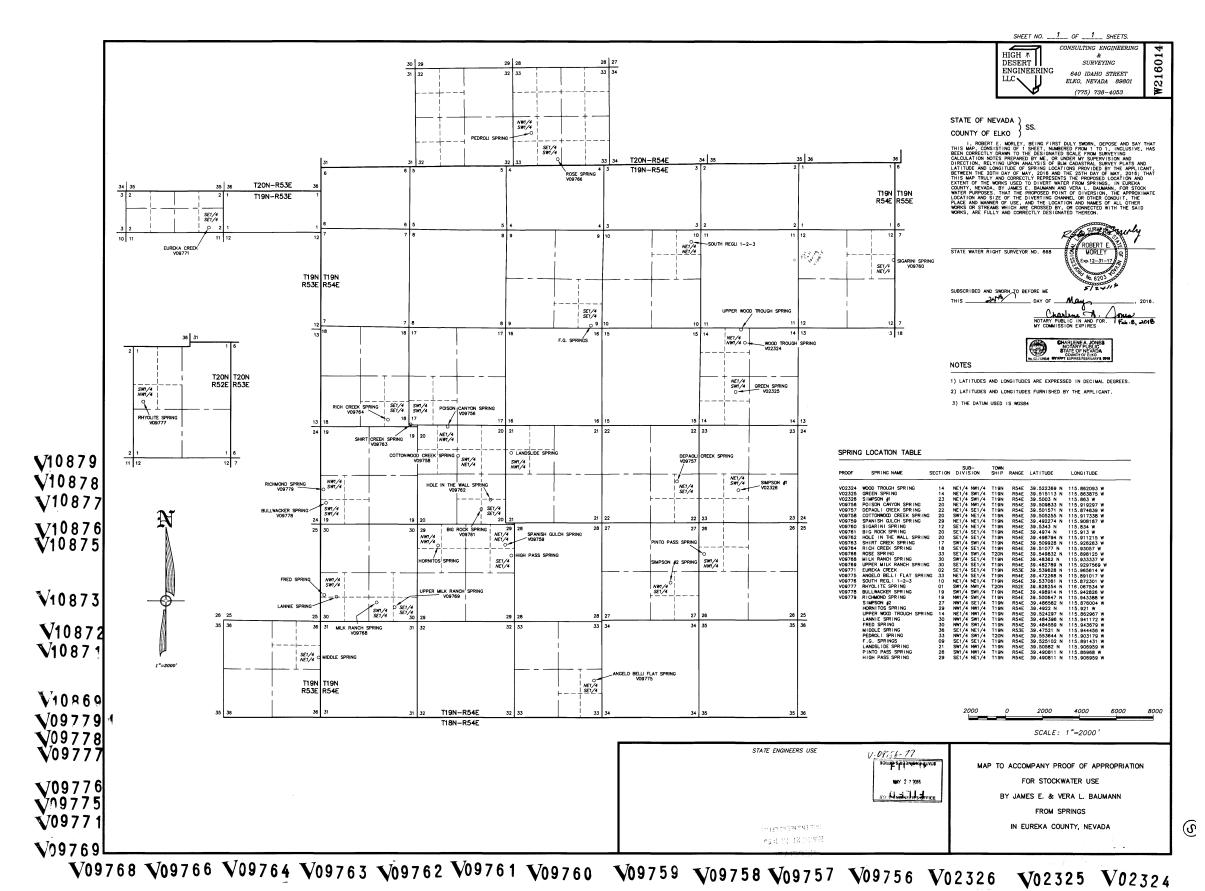
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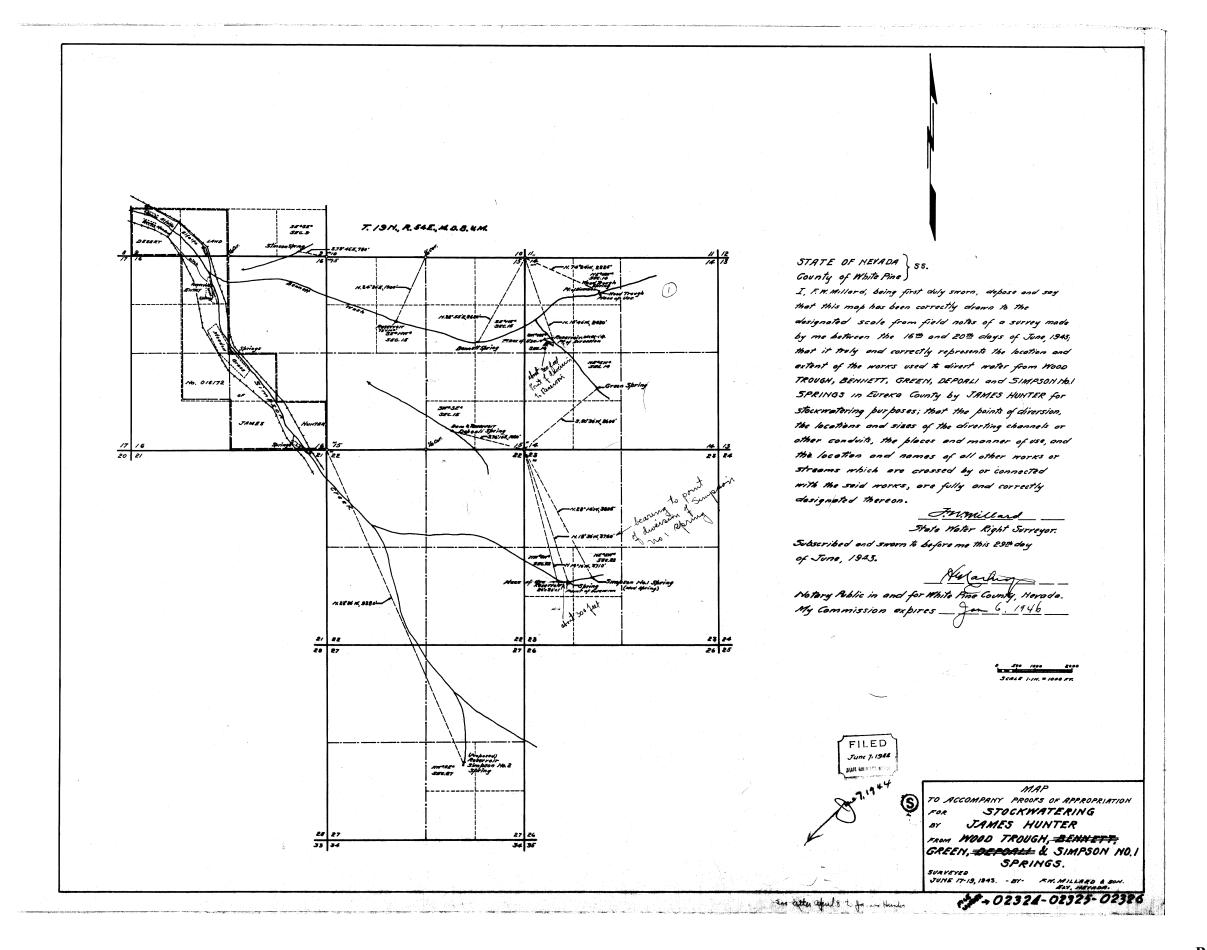
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2009 Corrected Supplementary Information

Name: Bullwacker Spring

Latitude: 39.499

Longitude: 115.942

Elevation: 7395

NDWR Water Rights Application #: 40157 NDWR Filing Under Baumann #09778

Remarks: This spring has been used by this ranch back to 1866. It is a significant water source to our current livestock operation and has been a very important water source to our predecessors.

This spring was filed on by Eureka Water Association Inc. (Certificate No. 12928) in 1979.

December 1, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I was born in 1948 and raised in Eureka, Nevada.

From a very young age, I helped the Hunter family by working on the Hunter Ranch and riding and tending to their cattle.

Hunter's cattle grazed the surrounding mountains of the ranch from the first of April through the end of October or November depending on the weather.

The Hunter cattle utilized each and every spring in the mountains from the Cottonwood Spring north of the Hunter Ranch; to the Fairbury Well south of the Hunter Ranch; east to the Poison Spring and west to the Rhyolite Spring.

The Hunter cattle used the water in Eureka Canyon for many, many years (and created havoc within the townsite) which surfaces below the upper slag dump at the south end of the town. The creek and additional springs surfacing within the townsite continued through the town of Eureka and ran past the depot located at the north end of town.

Richmond Spring, Bullwhacker Spring and the Milk Ranch Spring were the main springs for the southern country that were utilized by the cattle belonging to the Hunter Ranch.

It is common knowledge that the Hunter Ranch (aka Simpson Creek Ranch) utilized the range and water sources prior to 1900 to present.

Signed:

Gerald E. Robinson

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Ownership/Title

Application No.: 40157 Application Status: CER Certificate No.: 12928

Owner(s): EUREKA WATER ASSOCIATION INC;

Status: CERTIFICATE

Basin: 153

Basin Name: DIAMOND VALLEY

Sub Basin:

Basin Status: DESIGNATED (ID) Region: CENTRAL

County: EUREKA

No Previous Applications Found

Source: SPRING Source Description: BULLWACKER SPRING

Project Name:

Decree Name:

Use: MUNICIPAL

Period Start: 0101 Period End: 1231

Point of Diversion Information: Otr-Otr: SW Otr: SW Sec: 19 Twn: 19N Rng: 54E

Duty Balance: 80.34 AFA Div Balance: 0.11

Acre-Feet Storage: 0

Well Log Nos.:

Remarks 1:

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Filing Date: 12-21-1979 Priority Date: 12-21-1979 Return Date:

Sent for Publication Date: 03-14-1980 Last publication Date: 04-25-1980 Ready for Action Date: 05-25-1980

Permit Date: 04-22-1982 Withdrawn Date: Forfeit Date:

Cancel Portion: Cancellation Date: Cancellation Rescind Date:

Denied Date:

Maps

Filed Under Date Filed Under Date

Proposed POD: 26532

02-24-1972 Existing POD:

Proposed POU:

Existing POU:

Proofs of Completion and Beneficial Use

Ext. Due: Ext Revd: Due Date: Rcvd: Filed: POC: 05-22-1983 05-19-1983

PBU: 05-22-1989 06-21-1989 Y

Other Dates and Requirements

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Forfeiture Due Date: Extension required?: Forfeiture Portion: Forfeiture Received: Forfeiture Filed:

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Remarks 2:

http://water.nv.gov/water%20Rights/permitdb/page2.cfm?app=40157

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

Date o	of filing in State Engineer's Office
	ned to applicant for correction
Correc	ted application filed.
Map fi	ledFebruary 1972 under 26532
	Eureka Water Association, Inc.
	ne applicant
P. U	Box 263 City of Your City of Your
Neva	da 89316 , hereby make. Sapplication for permission to appropriate the public
	of the State of Nevada, as hereinafter stated. (If applicant is a corporation, give date and place of incorpora- f a copartnership or association, give names of members.) Nevada - March 22, 1967.
1. T	The source of the proposed appropriation is. Bullwacker Spring Name of stream, lake or other source.
2. T	The amount of water applied for is
. 6	a) If stored in reservoir give number of acre-feet 200,000 gallon storage tank acre-feet
	Municipal and Demostic
3. T	Trigation, power, mining, manufacturing, domestic, or other use. Must limit to one use.
4. II	tase is for:
(2	a)-Irrigation (state aumber of acres to be irrigated)
0	b) Stockwater (state number and kinds of animals to be watered)
	c) Other use (describe fully under "No, 12. Remarks")
(0	i) Power:
	(1) Horsepower developed
	(2) Point of return of water to stream.
5. T	The water is to be diverted from its source at the following point: in the SW SW Sw Section 19, T,19N,
	R. S4E., M.D.B.6M. or at a point from which the W 1/16 Corper Section 13-24.
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5	Section 13, Wa NWa Section 24, T. 19N., R. 53E., M.D.B.&M.

7. T	Jsc will begin about 1st of January and end about 31st of December of each year. Month and Day Month and Day
	Description of proposed works. (Under the provisions of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and
s	pecifications of your diversion or storage works.) water is piped to a storage tank,
	then to the place of use.
	State number in which water is to be diverted, whether by dam or other works, whether through pipes, diches, finnes, or other conduits,
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9.	Estimated cost of works \$ 15,000.00
10.	Estimated time required to construct works. completed
11.	Estimated time required to complete the application to beneficial use 30 days
12.	Remarks: For use other than irrigation or stock watering, state number and type of units to be served or annual consumptive use.
	The water from this spring is presently being used for Municipal and
	Domestic purposes and has been used since the year 1873. For the supporting
	map please refer to No. 26532.
App	licant Euraka Water Association, Inc.
	By s/ Richard W. Forman
~	Richard W. Forman, Agent
Con	pared_8a/jw bt/bc P. 0. Box 150 Ely, Nevada 89301
	APPROVAL OF STATE ENGINEER
follo	This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing application, and do hereby grant the same, subject to the owing limitations and conditions:
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sto	This permit is issued subject to all existing rights on the source. It is undered that the 0.111 c.f.s., herein granted is only a temporary allowance and that
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	amount of water to be appropriated shall be limited to the amount which can be applied to beneficial use, and
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Vera Baumann <simpsoncreekranch@gmail.com>

Eureka Co. Water Collection System ROW Decision **Appeal -- Proposed Settlement**

Zahedi, Nancy <Nancy.Zahedi@sol.doi.gov> To: Baumanns <simpsoncreekranch@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 8, 2011 at 10:32 AM

I have been struggling with how to add the stipulation language to the NEPA analysis, since they serve different functions. However, I think one solution is to add a reference under the "Mitigation" section of the EA. I have therefore suggested a new paragraph and "Livestock Grazing" mitigation measure on page 34 of the EA, which is reflected in the latest Errata Sheet (suggested addition to page 34).

If this would work for you, I will then discuss this approach with BLM.

From: Baumanns [mailto:simpsoncreekranch@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 10:12 AM

To: Zahedi, Nancy

Subject: Re: Eureka Co. Water Collection System ROW Decision Appeal -- Proposed Settlement

Hi Nancy,

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James E. Baumann Vera L. Baumann PO Box 308 Eureka, Nevada 89316

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Baumann:

Enclosed is a copy of the approved Environmental Assessment (EA) DOI-B010-2009-0076-EA, October 2010 for the Eureka County Spring Box Project.

One comment from your September 7, 2010 letter is addressed in the EA on page 23, 3.3.18 and table 3-7.

A copy of the Decision issuing the amended Right-of-Way (ROW) with the Appeals Form 1842-1 is enclosed. A copy of the amended ROW with stipulations is enclosed.

Thank you for your comments and your interest in our public lands. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Nancy Lockridge at 775-635-4029.

Sincerely

Douglas W. Furtado Field Manager

Mount Lewis Field Office

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT BATTLE MOUNTAIN DISTRICT/MOUNT LEWIS FIELD OFFICE

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

I have reviewed Environmental Assessment (EA) DOI-BLM-NV-B010-2009-0076-EA, dated October 2010. After consideration of the environmental effects as described in the EA, and incorporated herein, I have determined that the proposed action with the project design specifications, including minimization or mitigation measures identified in the EA will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment and that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required to be prepared.

This finding and conclusion is based on my consideration of the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) criteria for significance (40 CFR 1508.27), both with regard to the context and the intensity of impacts described in the EA.

Context

In November of 2007, the Mount Lewis Field Office (MLFO), of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), received an application from the Eureka County Public Works Department to amend their existing right-of-way (ROW) NVN 007463. The application requested that the ROW be amended to contain the ten springs and all portions of the water collection system so the system can be repaired.

The amendment will allow Eureka County to provide the Town of Eureka with a secondary source of water that will be reliable, clean, safe and cost effective to operate and maintain.

The proposed amendment will bring under one ROW the ten springs that Eureka County currently possesses the water rights for. The springs will be rehabilitated, new collection boxes will be installed and new and upsized PVC and HDPE transmission lines will be added to connect all ten springs.

The application for the ROW amendment is made under the authority of Section 504 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, (FLPMA).

Funding for the construction will be provided by Eureka County.

Intensity

1. Impacts that may be both beneficial and adverse.

The EA considered both beneficial and adverse impacts of the ROW amendment. The proposal would result in a secondary source of water for the Town of Eureka.

It will not significantly complicate or otherwise affect the management of other nearby existing ROWs and there are no other proposed developments at those locations.

Adverse impacts of the proposed ROW amendment are minimal, as described in the EA. The proposed amendment will impact the NDOT ROW for U.S. Highway 50 because it will be placed within the ROW along the northern side of the highway. NDOT regulations require Eureka County to obtain an "Encroachment Permit" from them.

None of the environmental consequences discussed in detail in Chapter 4 of the EA are considered significant.

2. The degree to which the proposed action affects public health and safety.

The effects of the proposed action on public health and safety are considered to be positive. The Town of Eureka will have a secondary source of water that will be reliable, clean, safe and cost effective to maintain.

3. Unique characteristics of the geographic area such as proximity of historic or cultural resources, park lands, prime farmlands, wetlands, wild and scenic rivers, or ecologically critical areas.

During May and June of 2009, a Class III cultural resource survey of the entire project area was conducted (BLM6-2793P). Twenty six archaeological sites were observed and/or updated. All but one of the 26 sites has been recommended as not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The one site that is eligible for listing is an aspen grove containing arborglyphs primarily associated with Basque and Peruvian sheep ranchers. Section 2.2 discusses the measures that will be implemented in protection of the known cultural resources.

Duckwater Tribal representatives were notified of the proposed project as a part of BLM's regular coordination with the Tribe. There are no known tribally identified traditional cultural properties near the project area, or in the area known to be used for traditional Native American cultural or spiritual activities.

The proposed action is not located near any park lands, prime or unique farmlands, wild and scenic rivers or Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs).

4. The degree to which the effects on the quality of the human environment are likely to be highly controversial.

The proposed action is not expected to be controversial. Much of the construction would occur in existing rights-of-way and previously disturbed areas. The proposal would result in a reliable secondary water supply for Eureka.

A letter providing a 30 day opportunity for comments on the proposal and EA was mailed to those individuals and groups that have expressed a continuing interest in MLFO NEPA actions as well as the proponent and holders of adjacent rights-of-way or permits and

other agencies through the State Clearinghouse. A notice of availability of the EA was also placed on the MLFO website. The comment period ran for 30 days, until September 17, 2010.

One comment was received from the general public, James and Vera Baumann.

Nevada Department of Transportation responded with comments through the Nevada State Clearinghouse.

None of these comments identified any significant new issues or concerns; however they did result in some minor revisions to the EA, which were not considered to be significant enough to warrant a second public comment period.

5. The degree to which the possible effects on the human environment are highly uncertain or involve unique or unknown risks.

There are no known effects of the proposed action identified in the EA which are considered to be uncertain or involve unique or unknown risks.

6. The degree to which the action may establish a precedent for future actions with significant effects or represents a decision in principle about a future consideration.

The proposed action is an amendment to an existing authorization. Rights-of-Way for pipelines and associated development are common authorizations under the FLPMA. The proposed action has been found to cause not significant effects to the environment and does not represent a decision in principle. It is unlikely that Eureka County would apply for another such facility. Any future actions on public lands within the surrounding area would be analyzed on their own merits and carried out, or not, independently of the action currently proposed.

7. Whether the action is related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts.

Cumulative impacts were analyzed in chapter 5, 5.1.

8. The degree to which the action may adversely affect districts, sites, highways, structures, or objects listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or may cause loss or destruction of significant scientific, cultural, or historic resources.

The site of the proposed action has been extensively surveyed and one NRHP eligible site was identified. This site will be mitigated by avoidance. There would be no loss or destruction of significant scientific, cultural, or historic resources as a result of the proposed action.

9. The degree to which the action may adversely affect an endangered or threatened species or its habitat that has been determined to be critical under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

The Nevada Natural Heritage Program (NNHP) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) were contacted for information concerning special status species. The NNHP (letter of October 26, 2009, Appendix B) and FWS (letter of November 6, 2009, Appendix B) both indicated that there were no listed or proposed species known to be present in the project area. Both agencies did indicate that some candidate species may occur in the area.

10. Whether the action threatens a violation of Federal, State, or local law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment.

The proposed action will not violate or threaten to violate and Federal, State, or local law or requirement for the protection of the environment.

Douglas W. Furtado

Field Manager

Mount Lewis Field Office

United States Bureau of Land Management **Battle Mountain District**

Checklist for Interdisciplinary Review of NEPA Documents

Document Title:	Eureka County Spring Boxes		
NEPA Number:	DOI-BLM-NV-B010-2009-0076-EA	Case File Number:	NVN-007463
Lead Preparer N	ame and Title: Nancy Lockridge. Realty	Specialist	Due Date:

ACECs* Air Quality* Cultural Resources* Environmental Justice* Fire Management Floodplains Forestry	Janice George Angelica Rose	X x	No x x		
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Invasive Non-native Species*	Mike Vermeys	X		Miller	10/21/1
Migratory Birds*	Ryan Sandfur	x		San Sant	10/21/10
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Prime/Unique Farmlands*			х		
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Riparian & Wetlands*			х		
Socioeconomics	Angelica Rose	х	\vdash	1.D. Pere	10/2/15
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Threatened or Endangered Species* and Special Status Species animals plants	Ryan Sandfur	x		Para Sark	10/21/10
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Visual Resources			х		
Water Resources			х		
Water Quality (surface & ground)*			х		
Wastes, Hazardous or Solid*	Dan Tecca	х			
Wild Horses & Burros			х		
Wild/Scenic Rivers*			x		
Wilderness & WSAs*			x		
Wildlife	Ryan Sandfur	x		214	10/10/10
Other: NEPA Compliance	Angelica Rose	x	1	DOD 2 Mg	10/71/10
Hydrology	Bob Hassmiller	x		Q115	10/CI/C

*Supplemental Authorities
This document will / will not be sent to the Nevada State Clearinghouse.



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Right-of-Way Amended Pursuant to FLPMA

Amended Right-of-Way Grant Issued Right of Way Granted According FLPMA Act of October 21, 1976 (43 USC 1761)

Enclosed is a copy of your Amended Right-of-Way (ROW) Grant, N-007463, which has been approved by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) according to the Federal Land Policy Management Act (FLPMA) of October 21, 1976.

Two letters were received in response to the Environmental Assessment (EA), which analyzed the impacts of this ROW amendment. The following are the steps that BLM has pursued in answering the concerns expressed in the letters. The first letter was from James E. Baumann and Vera L. Baumann concerning water rights at Bullwacker and Prospect Springs and wording in the EA that stated "only sheep" were permitted to graze in the Spanish Gulch Allotment. Table 3-7, Livestock Grazing Allotments, on page 23 of the EA has been changed to reflect that cattle are also permitted in the Spanish Gulch Allotment. Stipulation # 21 in Exhibit B, attached to the Amended ROW states the intention of Eureka County to recognize and provide for each claimed vested water right of James E. Baumann and Vera L. Baumann at the two springs.

Nevada Department of Transportation registered its concerns through the Nevada State Clearinghouse. Paragraph 3.3.4 on page 14 of the EA has been corrected to read one-fourth to onethird. Other concerns were noted and it is felt that they are either adequately addressed in the EA, or covered by stipulation #17 in Exhibit B, attached to the Amended ROW.

The monitoring fee has been received. Rental on the ROWs is current through December 31, 2010. You will be billed in December for rental due on January 1, 2011.

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4 and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address) within 30 days

AFFIDAVIT OF IDENTITY - INDIVIDUAL

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County of	Carson)	
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from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition pursuant to regulations at 43 CFR 2801.10 or 43 CFR 2881.10 for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed in this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulations, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- (1) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
- (2) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
- (3) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Questions may be directed to Nancy Lockridge, Realty Specialist at (775) 635-4029.

Douglas W Fartado

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cc: James and Vera Baumann PO Box 308 Eureka, Nevada 89316

> Kathleen Weaver Nevada Department of Transportation 1401 East Altman Street Ely, Nevada 89301