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**SCOPING  
FOR HOLLOWAY MEADOW FENCE & STOCKSCREEK WATERSHED PROJECT**

Dear Interested Public,

Holloway Meadow Fence

The Santa Rosa Ranger District is proposing fence construction along the stocks creek drainage in the North Fork C&H Allotment. This fence will protect the Holloway meadow headcut project that was completed in 2009 and the Stocks Creek Watershed Project that is planned for 2011. This project will be constructing approximately 1.5 miles of fence on the north side of stocks creek, see attached map. The construction of this fence will take in archeological concerns, watershed concerns, and wildlife needs (including flagging on the fence for sage grouse).

The location of these projects is approximately 25 miles north of Paradise Valley Nevada. The legal description for these projects is Mount Diablo Meridian, Township 45 North, Range 40, Sections 14, 15 and 16.

Equipment such as trucks, tractors, skid loader, chainsaws, ATVs/UTVs etc... may be used in hauling fence material, brushing fence line, pounding and drilling posts, stretching wire, etc... These fences will be built to forest standards and meet wildlife needs.

It is anticipated that this action may be categorically excluded from further analysis and documentation in an environmental impact statement (EIS) or environmental assessment (EA), as described in 36 CFR 220.6[e]. Fence construction will fall under 36 CFR 220.6[e][6], habitat improvement and 36 CFR 220.6[e][9], minor management practices to improve allotment conditions.

Stock Creek Watershed Project

The Santa Rosa Ranger District is proposing to improve watershed condition north of Holloway Meadow, in a portion of Stocks Creek that has down cut resulting in loss a of meadow function and drying of meadows critical for wildlife habitat. This project will consist of constructing modified check dams that will gradually fill in overtime with sediment, that will raise the base level of the channel, improve the water table and restore the meadow.

The location of these projects is approximately 25 miles north of Paradise Valley Nevada. The legal description for these projects is Mount Diablo Meridian, Township 45 North, Range 40, Sections 14 and 15.



Equipment such as trucks, tractors, skid loader, dump trucks, backhoe/tracker, ATVs/UTVs etc... may be used in hauling gravel, rock, topsoil, digging and moving material etc...

It is anticipated that this action may be categorically excluded from further analysis and documentation in an environmental impact statement (EIS) or environmental assessment (EA), as described in 36 CFR 220.6[e][6], habitat improvement.

Forest Service resource specialists are currently evaluating the proposed projects to determine effects, if any, to resources of concern. Your written comments, concerns, and suggestions should be sent to Boyd W. Hatch, project coordinator at 1200 East Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca Nevada, 89445. Comments can also be faxed to the following number: 775-625-1200, or emailed to [bhatch@fs.fed.us](mailto:bhatch@fs.fed.us) and must include the author's name and address. Please put the name of this project "HOLLOWAY MEADOWS FENCE & STOCK CREEK WATERSHED PROJECT" on your comments.

If requested a copy of all comments provided in response to this letter will be made available to the public. This will include names, addresses, and any other information with the comments.

The Forest Service requests your comments on these projects by September 3, 2010. We are also asking that you inform us of whether or not you wish to remain on the mailing list for these projects. If we do not hear from you regarding your interest in this project we may remove your name from the project mailing list.

We thank you for your interest in the management of your national forests and look forward to hearing from you. For more information on this project please contact Boyd W. Hatch or District Ranger Jeff Ulrich at 775-623-5025 x 5, or Barbra Drake Forest Hydrologist 775-355-5339.

Sincerely,



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JEFFREY L. ULRICH  
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cc: Kyra I Walton

# Holloway Meadow Fence and Stock Creek Water Shed Project

