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Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Egan Field Office has completed the Preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Term Grazing Permit 2700102 Renewal on the Forest Moon (01010) Allotment. We have also completed the Preliminary Standards Determination Document for the Forest Moon Allotment. These documents are being made available for solicitation of your comments and input. The EA and SDD are now posted on the National NEPA Registrar web page at [https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa\\_register.do](https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do) for a 30 day public comment period. You are receiving this letter because you expressed interest in grazing management actions on this allotment.

To navigate to this project webpage (from the link above), scroll down to and select "Nevada" in the "State(s)" list, this will populate the "Office(s)" list, select "NV-Egan FO". Under "Fiscal Year(s)", select "2011" and then click the "Search" button on the right of the screen. This should take you to a list of projects, find and select this project (DOI-BLM-NV-L0100-2011-0008-EA) to display the project webpage. Navigate through the project webpage using the links on the left. The Preliminary EA and Preliminary SDD can be found under "Documents".

The Forest Moon Allotment encompasses approximately 108,273 public land acres. The grazing permit area occurs entirely within Nye County, and is situated approximately 40 miles southwest of Lund, Nevada. The western portion of this allotment borders the Battle Mountain BLM District and Forest Service lands while the eastern portion borders the Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area. The area stretches from the Grant Mountain Range in the west out into the White River Valley. This allotment occurs largely in the White River Central Watershed with a small portion in the Garden Valley Watershed. The White River Sheep Trail also crosses the Forest Moon Allotment.

The proposed action of this EA is to issue and fully process a new term grazing permit 2700102 authorizing grazing on the Forest Moon Allotment. Maximum allowable use levels are being established and other terms and conditions for the permit are being carried forward from the current permit. The renewal of the term grazing permit will be for a period of up to 10 years.

The SDD is an assessment of the Mojave-Southern Great Basin Area Standards for Rangeland Health conducted recently for the Forest Moon Allotment as part of the term permit renewal process. The SDD evaluates and assesses livestock grazing management's achievement of the Standards and conformance with the Guidelines on the Forest Moon Allotment in the Ely BLM District.

Please review the EA and SDD and provide written comments **by August 20, 2011**. Please address all comments to:

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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 project or to request a hard copy of this document, please contact Amanda Anderson, Rangeland Management Specialist at (775) 289-1855 or [aanderson@blm.gov](mailto:aanderson@blm.gov).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Chris Mayer, acting*

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