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## **BLM releases EA of Warm Creek/ Snow Water Lake permit renewals**

ELKO, Nev. – The Bureau of Land Management, Elko District, Wells Field Office is releasing for public review the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Warm Creek and Snow Water Lake allotments permit renewal until Oct. 5.

Following the public review of this EA, the BLM will issue a grazing permit renewal decision addressing the proposed change in kind of livestock, carrying capacity, proposed changes to the grazing system, and possible additional range improvement projects and/or redevelopment of existing range improvement projects in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The permit renewal, along with any changes to permitted use on these allotments, would be implemented through a grazing decision following NEPA analysis. Due to the change in ownership of the base property for these allotments and the request to change use, a new grazing decision is necessary.

The permittee purchased the base properties associated with these two allotments in December 2010 and the Wells Field Office issued a grazing permit for domestic cattle at that time. In July 2011, an application was submitted to change the kind of livestock authorized on these two allotments from cattle to domestic horses, together with a proposal to change the grazing system on these allotments. No Federally-managed wild horses or burros will be authorized on either allotment.

The public is encouraged to review the EA and may provide written comments or concerns about this proposed permit renewal, prior to 5 p.m. (PST) on Oct. 5, to the BLM Wells Field Office, Attention: Wells Field Office Manager, 3900 E. Idaho St., Elko, NV 89801, faxed to (775) 753-0255, or emailed to: [BLM\\_NV\\_ELDO\\_WarmCreekRanchGrazing@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_NV_ELDO_WarmCreekRanchGrazing@blm.gov)

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be publicly available at any time. While you can ask that your personal identifying information be withheld from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

To review the EA, please visit our website at [www.blm.gov/rv5c](http://www.blm.gov/rv5c) under ‘What We Do’ – ‘Grazing.’

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