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Dear Reader:

The attached link and path to the following Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates the environmental consequences from a proposal to renew the term grazing permits on the following grazing allotments: Dry Springs (00005), Fork Rock Mesa (00016), Horn Arroyo (00009), Ojo De Los Pinos (00008), Shroyer Community (00002), Starr Community (00004), Tres Hermanos Community (00006), and Valle San Isidro (00015) Allotments. These allotments are within the BLM Rio Puerco Field Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico under the authorities of the National Environmental Policy Act (1969), the Public Rangeland Improvement Act (1978), the Clean Water Act (1972), the National Historic Preservation Act (1966, as amended), and the Endangered Species Act (1973). The Bureau of Land Management's authority to administer livestock grazing on public land comes from the Taylor Grazing Act (1934) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (1976).

This EA will be available for public comment and review for 30 days. Written comments will be accepted by the Rio Puerco Field Office at the above listed address and e-mails until 4:30 PM Friday June 12, 2012. 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. We will make the greatest of efforts as allowed by the Privacy Act of 1974 to withhold your personal identifying information from public review however; we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so under certain circumstances.

Please contact Tania Sanchez, Rangeland Management Specialist or Angel Martinez Jr., Planning and Environmental Coordinator at (505) 761-8700 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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The EA for the term grazing permit renewals within the Albuquerque District Office can be found online under "NEPA Documents Open for Formal Public Comment" on the Rio Puerco NEPA webpage. The document is titled: **Rio Puerco Field Office Permit Renewals (B1)**.

http://www.blm.gov/nm/st/en/fo/Rio_Puerco_Field_Office/rpfo_nepa.html