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Mr. Ron Wenker, State Director
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Dear Mr. Wenker:

Staff members of the Modoc National Forest have cooperated with the Nevada State Office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in the review of the Winter Construction Plan for the Ruby Pipeline Project. The Ruby Pipeline application requested use of portions of Forest Road 48N48 known locally as the Hopeless Pass Road.

Forest Road 48N48 is some 26,968.72 feet in length, 30 feet in width, and covering some 18.57 acres. Legal descriptions for the temporary access are provided in the attached Exhibit A.

Pursuant to Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations Subparts 2881.11 and 2884.26, BLM issues right-of-way grants when such rights-of-cross federal lands under the jurisdiction of two or more federal agencies. BLM must have concurrence for their decision from the federal agencies with jurisdiction prior to making a decision to grant a right-of-way across lands administered by the other federal agencies.

I concur with BLM's decision to include the Winter Construction Plan for the Ruby Pipeline Project across the Modoc National Forest and accept it into the Plan of Development.

I understand that all other elements of the BLM's July 12, 2010 Record of Decision remain in full force and effect, including all stipulations, monitoring, and mitigations.

Sincerely,

LAURENCE CRABTREE
District Ranger

