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Dear Cooperating Agencies:

You should have received a letter and CD on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 that transmitted the *Nevada and Northeastern California Administrative Draft for the Greater Sage-Grouse Proposed Plan Amendment and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)* for a two-week Cooperating Agency review.

Unfortunately, a map displaying the Sagebrush Focal Areas (SFAs) was not included on the CD you received. To display the location of the SFAs in the Proposed Plan, I have enclosed a map depicting the SFAs in relationship to Priority Habitat Management Areas. The map also depicts General Habitat Management Areas and Other Habitat Management Areas.

This is a large document made up of eight chapters and 24 appendices. The BLM Nevada State Office has created a PowerPoint to help guide you through each of the Chapters and position you to review the sections that are pertinent to the Proposed Plan. It is important to note that the U.S. Forest Service is also a Cooperating Agency on this planning effort. For the lands that they manage in Greater Sage-grouse habitat, they have created a separate Proposed Plan in Chapter 2. For all intents and purposes, the BLM and Forest Service Proposed Plans are basically the same, but the Forest Service Proposed Plan is written in an altered way due to a different set of planning regulations and policies. Ultimately, the overall goal of both plans is to achieve a "net conservation gain" for the Greater Sage-grouse.

The PowerPoint can be accessed at: <http://bit.ly/2015-GRSG-doc-review-guide>. I hope this is helpful for your review of this important Administrative Draft of the FEIS. Again, thank you for your cooperation and assistance in our efforts for the conservation of the Greater Sage-grouse within the Nevada/Northeastern California Sub-Region.

Sincerely,

Acting for
John F. Ruhs
Acting State Director

Enclosure