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Subject

Vegetation Treatments Using
Herbicides Programmatic EIS."

To: Brian Amme at the BLM Nevada state office,

Dear Brian,

1 Through this e-mail I want to voice my concerns over the excessive use of herbicides for the reduction of invasive plants by BLM. Considering that the use of herbicides will be further increased in the future without reducing some of the causes of the growth of invasive plants it will be an inevitable vicious cycle.

I urge BLM to take a look at the increased use of off-road vehicles, which have dramatically hiked the rate of growth of invasive plants in these over-used areas. Perhaps some of the other causes can be evaluated as well. Use of pesticides on these huge blocks of land is a preventable expense as well as a huge health risk, which needs to be avoided at all costs. It is a well known fact that pesticides have been linked to several forms of cancer. 2

Please do what you can to significantly minimize the use of herbicides.

Sincerely,

Margaret Haines