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Casper Resource Management Plan

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Dear Mr. Nicolayson:

Thank you for providing comments on the Proposed Casper Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). Your letter provided two comments. Attached is a summary of your comments along with the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) response to each comment.

We appreciate your interest and involvement in the development of the Casper RMP. If you have any questions, or wish to discuss any issues or concerns regarding the plan, please call Jim Murkin, Casper Field Manager, at 307-261-7600, or Jane Darnell, Deputy State Director for Resources Policy and Management, at 307-775-6113.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Bennett
State Director

Attachment

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Comment 1: “Cole Creek Sheep Company desires to purchase any and all lands within our Allotment which are selected for sale under the final RMP. In this matter we support Alternative A.”

Response: The Proposed RMP identifies a land tenure strategy; i.e. those public land parcels to be retained and those public land parcels available for disposal. Proposals for the disposal and/or acquisition of lands are actions taken during implementation of the RMP. This comment will be concerned during implementation of the land tenure strategy.

Comment 2: “Cole Creek Sheep Company desires to continue grazing BLM lands within our Allotment.”

Response: Please note under the Proposed Plan, 6,016 acres are unavailable for livestock grazing. Appendix H identifies these areas. The Sand Hills Management Area continues to be available for livestock grazing under the Proposed Plan.