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Dear Interested Public:

A preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Egan and Johnson Basins Restoration Project has been completed and is now available for your review and comment. The project is located on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Bristlecone Field in White Pine County, Nevada.

We are providing the public a 30-day opportunity to review and comment on the preliminary EA. The preliminary EA is available at the following address: <http://1.usa.gov/1T9Yesn>. Comments must be received at the BLM office by August 28. Please provide comments to the attention of Katie Walsh at the address listed in the letterhead above.

The purpose of the project is to improve wildlife habitat, reduce fuel loads, improve vegetation diversity, and meet BLM's land management plan objectives. Specifically, treatments are anticipated to improve habitat for greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*), and numerous other species that utilize sagebrush communities. Treatments would focus primarily on removing singleleaf pinyon (*Pinus monophylla*) and Utah juniper (*Juniperus osteosperma*) from sagebrush (*Artemisia spp.*) communities. The proposed action is to treat up to 65-percent (approximately 24,375 acres) of 21 treatment units (approximately 37,500 acres). Manual thinning (chainsaw) of pinyon and juniper would also occur in some areas (low density tree areas) throughout the entire 84,675 acre project area.

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. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Thank you for your interest in this project. If you have any questions, please contact Katie Walsh, natural resource specialist at (775) 289-1867.

Sincerely,

Mindy Seal
Bristlecone Field Manager