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Chapter 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Identifying Information:

DECEMBER 2013 COMPETITIVE OIL & GAS LEASE SALE

ELY DISTRICT OFFICE

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1.1.1 Background Information:

Areas available for fluid mineral leasing are identified through management determinations during the planning process. These determinations designate the land as closed or open to leasing, and if open, what stipulations should be applied to the lease. All leases are subject to the terms and conditions of the standard lease form which allows for up to 60-day timing deferments and 200-meter (656 feet) displacements (Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 3101.1-2). Stipulations modify the lease rights beyond the standard lease terms. Constraints are considered to be either major, such as no surface occupancy, or moderate. Moderate constraints consist of timing limitations (seasonal restrictions) and controlled surface use restrictions. Timing limitations indicate that a leased area generally is open to development activities except during a specified period of time to protect identified resource values such as wildlife. Controlled surface use stipulations may require operating constraints to protect resources year round; for example, staying on existing roads.

A lease notice may be attached to the lease to inform potential lessees of important resource issues under existing laws and regulations that may result in delays associated with subsequent permitting, and appropriate mitigation of those resource concerns.

Resources are further protected during operational activities through the application of best management practices, as contained in the Gold Book (U.S. Department of the Interior and U.S. Department of Agriculture 2006) and the development of site-specific conditions of approval.

Under certain conditions, waivers, exceptions, and modification to lease stipulations may be granted. The circumstances for granting an exception, waiver, or modification are attached to each stipulation.

Any lease stipulation may be waived or modified as per Title 43 CFR, Section 3101.1-4. A waiver or modification is allowable only if the authorized officer determines that the factors leading to its inclusion in the lease have changed sufficiently to make requirements of the stipulation(s) no longer justified, or mitigation contained in individual permits will preclude unacceptable impacts. If the waiver or modification is of major concern to the public, such modification will be subject to a 30-day public review. This review can be held concurrent with

the required 30-day posting of applications for permit to drill. Plan amendments are not required to waive, modify, or provide exception to lease stipulations.

A waiver eliminates a stipulation from the lease. The stipulation waiver can be considered concurrent with application for permit to drill approvals and can be accomplished with any NEPA vehicle available such as an environmental assessment, documentation of NEPA adequacy, categorical exclusion, or any similar process available to the Ely District Office.

A modification usually is considered a long-term change in the stipulation to fit the new conditions for which the stipulation was applied; however, it can be short term as well. Depending upon the site conditions, the stipulation may or may not apply to all actions or authorizations on the leasehold. An example of a modification could be a sage grouse lek site that may no longer need a “No Surface Occupancy” (NSO) stipulation on drilling and construction operations if the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting the sage grouse lek. Public notice is required only if the authorized officer determines it is of major public concern.

An exception is a one-time exception to all or part of the stipulation for a particular action due to changed environmental conditions at the time and place of the action being considered. For example, a seasonal restriction on drilling in critical winter range could be excepted if the winter is mild and the target species have not moved onto the critical portions of the winter range (near the drilling location). In subsequent years, the conditions could change and preclude an exception being granted. Normally, exceptions are considered minor actions and, therefore, are not subject to a 30-day public review.

1.1.2 Current Leasing Review Guidelines:

It is the policy of the BLM as derived from various laws, including the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, to make mineral resources available and to encourage development of mineral resources to meet national, regional, and local needs. The BLM Nevada State Office (NSO) conducts a yearly competitive lease sale for oil and gas lease parcels in the Ely District.

The Nevada BLM State Office publishes a Notice of Competitive Lease Sale (NCLS) that lists lease parcels offered at the auction at least 45 days before the auction is held. The BLM bases its decision as to which parcels to offer for this competitive lease sale on current information and the management framework developed in the land use plan. Surface management of non-BLM administered lands overlaying federal minerals is determined by BLM in consultation with the appropriate surface management agency or the private surface owner.

In the process of preparing a lease sale, the BLM State Office sends a list of nominated parcels to each field office where the parcels are located. The Field Office staff then review the parcels to determine:

- If they are in areas open to leasing;
- If new information has become available which might change any analysis conducted during the planning process;
- If appropriate consultations have been conducted;
- What appropriate stipulations should be included; and
- If there are special resource conditions, of which potential bidders should be made aware.

Once the draft parcel review is completed and returned to the State Office, a list of available lease parcels and stipulations is made available to the public through a NCLS. Lease stipulations applicable to each parcel are specified in the Sale Notice. On rare occasions, additional information obtained after the publication of the NCLS, may result in withdrawal of certain parcels prior to the day of the lease sale.

The EA verifies conformance with the approved land use plan and provides the rationale for deferring parcels from the lease sale. Additionally, it provides the rationale for any lease stipulations applied to specific parcels.

Resource specialists, who relied on historical data, assessed environmental impacts that might result from an oil and gas lease sale, and personal knowledge of the areas involved, conducted field inspections or reviewed existing databases and file information to determine the appropriate stipulations to attach to specific parcels. This complies with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (Public law 91-90, 42 USC 4321 et seq.)

For the December 2013 lease sale, 148 out of the 216 parcels received pre-sale offers of \$2 an acre. Pre-sale offers can be submitted when submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI) under the new Leasing Reform Act. If no one else bids on these parcels on the day of the competitive lease sale, the parcels will be awarded to the person who submitted the pre-sale offer.

At the time of this review, it is not known whether all nominated parcels will receive bids, if leases will be issued, or if well sites or roads might be proposed in the future. Detailed site-specific analysis of individual wells or roads would occur when an Application for Permit to Drill (APD) is submitted.

1.2 Purpose and Need for Action:

The purpose of the action is to offer all or part of the 216 nominated parcels for competitive oil and gas leasing in the December 2013 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale. Offering nominated

parcels for competitive oil and gas leasing allows private individuals or companies to explore the Federal mineral estate of lands managed by the federal government for the development of oil and gas resources.

The sale of oil and gas leases is needed to allow continued exploration for additional petroleum reserves which would help the United States meet its growing energy needs and to enable the United States to become less dependent on foreign oil sources. This action is being initiated to facilitate the BLM Ely District's implementation of the requirements in Executive Order 13212 (2001) and the National Energy Policy Act (2005).

1.3 Conformance with BLM Land Use Plan(s):

The Proposed Action complies with federal, state, and local laws, and regulations, and is consistent with federal, state, and local policies, and plans to maximum extent possible.

The Proposed Action is in conformance with the Ely District Approved Resource Management Plan (August 20, 2008), which states, *"To provide for the responsible development of mineral resources to meet local, regional, and national needs, while providing for the protection of other resources and uses."* In addition, *"Timing limitations indicate that a leased area generally is open to development activities except during a specified period of time to protect identified resource values such as wildlife"* (page 92).

The Proposed Action is in conformance with the Ely Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), November 2007, which states, *"Allow for meeting the Nation's energy needs while providing environmentally responsible production of fluid leasable minerals and geophysical exploration for energy resources on public lands"*(Page S-xvii).

1.4 Relationship to Statutes, Regulations, or other Plans:

This document is tiered to, and incorporates by reference, the Ely Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/FEIS), released in November 2007 (BLM 2008a). Should a determination be made that implementation of the Proposed Action would not result in significant environmental impacts or significant environmental impacts beyond those already disclosed in the existing NEPA documents, a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) would be prepared to document that determination and a Decision Record (DR) issued that provides a rationale for approving the selected alternative.

Purchasers of oil and gas leases are required to obey all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations including obtaining all required permits required should lease development occur.

Federal regulations and policies require the BLM to make its public land and resources available based on the principle of multiple-use. At the same time, it is BLM policy to conserve special status species and their habitats, and ensure that actions authorized by the BLM do not contribute to the need for the species to become listed as threatened or endangered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

Compliance with Section 106 responsibilities of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) are adhered to by following the BLM – Nevada State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) protocol agreement, which is authorized by the National Programmatic Agreement between the BLM, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, and other applicable BLM handbooks.

As the BLM reviews draft parcel locations, the cultural resource staff reviews the locations to determine if any are within known areas of cultural or archeological concern. Native American consultation is conducted for each lease sale. If Traditional Cultural Properties (TCP) or heritage related issues are identified, such parcels are deferred from the sale while letters requesting information, comments, or concerns are sent to Native American representatives. If the same draft parcels appear in a future sale, a second request for information is sent to the same recipients and the parcels may be deferred again. If no response to the second letter is received, the parcels are allowed to be offered in the next sale.

If responses are received, BLM cultural resources staff will discuss the information or issues of concern with the Native American representative to determine if all or only portions of a parcel need to be withdrawn from the sale or if special stipulations need be attached as lease stipulations. Native American consultation letters for the December 2013 Lease Sale were sent May 20, 2013. The BLM received responses from the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation on May 3, 2013 and met with the Tribes on June 7, 2013. A site visit with the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe is planned for July 10, 2013.

The Proposed Action and alternatives would be in conformance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, (P.L. 91-190 as amended (42 USC §4321 et seq.); Mineral Leasing Act (MLA) of 1920 as amended and supplemented (30 USC 181 et seq.); the Federal Oil and Gas Leasing Reform Act of 1987, which includes the regulatory authority under 43 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 3100, Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing; General, and Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) Right-of-Way (ROW) under regulatory authority under 43 CFR 2800 for ROWs.

1.5 Decision to be Made:

1.5.1 Identification of Issues:

While many issues may arise during scoping, not all of the issues raised warrant analysis. Issues raised through scoping are analyzed if:

- Analysis of the issue is necessary to make a reasoned choice between alternatives.
- The issue is significant (an issue associated with a significant direct, indirect, or cumulative impact, or where analysis is necessary to determine the significance of impacts).
- There is a disagreement about the best way to use a resource, or resolve an unwanted resource condition, or potentially significant effects of a proposed action or alternative.

An interdisciplinary (ID) team discussed the potential consequences of the proposed action during internal scoping held on April 29, 2013 for Schell FO, May 6, 2013 for Egan FO, and May 7, 2013 for the Caliente FO. The following issues were analyzed within this EA as a result of scoping:

- Tribal Interests
- Cultural Resources
- Fish and Wildlife
- Special Status Species
- Migratory Birds
- Environmental Justice
- Socioeconomics
- Visual Resources
- Wetlands/Riparian Areas
- Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

The Ely District received 216 nominated parcels for the December 2013 lease sale. The BLM requested a total of 14 parcels, or portions thereof, to be deferred.

The following parcel is within lands designated for disposal in the Ely Resource Management Plan (RMP).

NV-13-12-174

T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 19 LOTS 3 and 4,
Sec. 19 SESW, S2SE
Sec. 20 S2SW.

The following two (2) parcels overlap the Kirch Wildlife Management Area (WMA), which is currently stipulated as No Surface Occupancy. The Ely District requested these parcels be deferred in part in order to help protect sensitive wetlands and lakes within the WMA, per the request of NDOW. The BLM requested that the parcels, listed below, be permanently removed from this sale list and all future sale lists. The deferral would remain until the Ely RMP can be amended to change the No Surface Occupancy designation to Closed.

NV-13-12-118 T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOT 4;
Sec. 001 SWNW;
Sec. 014 NW.

NV-13-12-119 T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 002 LOTS 3,4;
Sec. 002 SWNW;
Sec. 003 S2;
Sec. 004 NESW, S2SW,SE;
Sec. 005 SESE.

The following seven (7) parcels are within ½ mile of the Kirch WMA. Originally, there was a buffer implemented around the WMA in the Schell Management Framework Plan to help protect the sensitive wetlands and lakes that exist within the WMA. This buffer was not carried forward into the Ely RMP although the rationale for maintaining the previous buffer remains the same.

NV-13-12-118 T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS 1-3;
Sec. 001 SENW, S2NE, SW, E2SE;
Sec. 012 W2W2;
Sec. 014 NE; S2.

NV-13-12-119 T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 003 LOTS 1-4;
Sec. 003 S2NE, SENW;
Sec. 004 LOTS 3, 4;
Sec. 004 S2NW, NWSW;
Sec. 005 LOT 1;
Sec. 005 S2NE, SENW, E2SW, N2SE, SWSE.

NV-13-12-120	T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 023 W2; Sec. 027 N2NE,SWNE,N2NESENE; Sec. 027 W2SENE,S2SESENE,E2NW; Sec. 027 S2NWSWNW,SWSWNW; Sec. 027 E2W2NW,NWNWNW, SW; Sec. 028 SE.
NV-13-12-121	T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 032 SE; Sec. 033 N2, NWSW.
NV-13-12-127	T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 034 E2NE, NESE.
NV-13-12-128	T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 033 S2; Sec. 034 W2E2, SW, SESE.
NV-13-12-151	T.0060N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 006 LOTS 1-5; Sec. 006 SENW, S2NE.

The Ely District has been in negotiations with the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation for the past two years concerning the leasing of Federal lands surrounding their reservation. The Tribe has requested a ½-mile NSO buffer around the perimeter of the reservation to help protect their tribal lands from impacts caused by surface disturbing activities, as well as, subsurface exploration of solid and fluid minerals. The BLM requested the parcel listed below be deferred from this sale list and all future sale lists until such time that the Tribes' request can be formally addressed.

NV-13-12-213	T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 PROT E2; Sec. 012 PROT E2; Sec. 013 PROT E2; Sec. 024 PROT E2; Sec. 025 PROT E2; Sec. 036 PROT E2.
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The following parcel is within the authorized Robinson Mine Plan of Operations boundary. The Ely District Office requested that the listed portions of the parcel be removed from this sale list and all future sale lists to avoid conflict between active mining and leasable minerals development.

NV-13-12-148

T.0160N, R.0610E,
Sec. 012 N2NE,W2;
Sec. 013 SWNE,W2W2,NESW,NWSE;
Sec. 023 W2NE,SENE,NESW;
Sec. 026 SESW,S2SE.

The following parcels, in whole or in part, are known to be important sage grouse habitat. They are currently classified as PGH, but should be reclassified as PPH, based on data collected through on the ground observations. The Ely District requested these two parcels be deferred in accordance with WO-IM-2012-043.

NV-13-12-150

T.0250N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 SW,W2SE.

NV-13-12-162

T.0250N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 013 W2NW;
Sec. 024 SWNE,NWNW,S2NW,NWSW.

The proposed action was placed on the BLM NEPA Register website for 30 days to receive public comments until July 29, 2013.

A project notice was sent to the Great Basin National Park and the Nevada State Clearinghouse on June 28, 2013. All comments received will be included as part of the Final EA.

Chapter 2 Proposed Action and Alternatives

2.1 Introduction:

The previous chapter presented the Purpose and Need for the proposed project along with the identified relevant issues, i.e., those elements that could be affected by the implementation of the proposed project. In order to meet the purpose and need of the proposed project in a way that resolves the issues, the BLM should develop a range of action alternatives. However, only a proposed action alternative and no action alternative seem feasible and are presented below. No other alternatives to the proposed action were apparent which would meet the purpose and need of the Proposed Action. The potential environmental impacts or consequences resulting from the implementation of each alternative are then analyzed in Chapter 4 for each of the identified issues.

The BLM Nevada State Office submitted a list of 216 nominated parcels totaling over 399,873 acres to the Ely District Office on May 1, 2013. Egan Field Office (EFO) received 180 parcels, Caliente Field Office (CFO) received 19 parcels, and Schell Field Office (SFO) received 17 parcels. The SFO is the lead office on this project.

Table 2.1 Nominated Parcels Distribution

Field Office	# of Nominated Parcels	Total Acreage
Egan	181	333,174
Caliente	19	38,324
Schell	16	28,375
Total:	216	399,873

2.2 Description of the Proposed Action:

The Proposed Action is to recommend to the State Director that the BLM offer for competitive oil and gas leasing 216 parcels of federal minerals covering approximately 399,873 acres administered by the Ely District Office. Standard terms and conditions as well as special stipulations would apply. Lease stipulations (as required by Title 43 CFR 3131.3) would be added to the 216 parcels to address site-specific concerns or new information not identified in the land use planning process.

The 216 parcels included in the lease sale are listed in **Appendix A** with parcel numbers, acreages, and legal descriptions of parcels.

Once sold, the lease purchaser has the ability to explore and drill for all of the oil and gas within the lease boundaries, subject to the stipulations attached to the lease (Title 43 CFR 3101.1-2). Oil and gas leases are issued for a 10-year period or may continue for as long thereafter as oil or gas is produced in paying quantities.

Table 2.2 Map Key for Parcels with Acreage

AREA	AREA NAME	PARCEL NUMBERS	TOTAL ACREAGE
A	Newark Valley	1,2,3	6,175
B	N. Railroad Valley	5	710
C	Garden Valley	4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20, 21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34, 35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48, 49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61,62, 63,64,65,66,67,68,69,70,81,82,83,84,85,86, 87,88,89,90,91,92,93,94	158,924
D	White River Valley	95,96,97,98,99,100,101,102,103,104,105, 106,107,108,109,110,111,112,113,114,118, 119,120,121,122,123,124,125,126,127,128, 129,130,131,132,133,134,135,136,137,138, 139,140,141,142,143,144,145,146,147,151, 152,153,154,155,156	107,581

AREA	AREA NAME	PARCEL NUMBERS	TOTAL ACREAGE
E	Jakes Valley	71,115,116,148,149,157,158,159,160,161	12,159
F	Maverick	72,73,74,75,76,77,78,79,80,117	21,401
G	Butte Valley	150,162	2,184
H	Steptoe Valley	163,164,165,166,167,168,169,170,171,172,173,174,175,176,177,178,179,180,181,182,183,184,185,186,187,188,189,190,191,192,193,194,195,196,197,198,199,200,201,202,203,204,205,206,207	72,681
I	Antelope Valley	208,209,210,211,212,213,214,215,216	18,058
			399,873

If a lessee fails to produce oil and gas, does not make annual rental payments, does not comply with the terms and conditions of the lease, or relinquishes the lease, the lease is terminated and all lessee rights revert back to the federal government and the lease may be resold.

Drilling of wells on a lease is not permitted until the lease owner or operator secures approval of a drilling permit and a surface use plan specified under Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notice to Lessee's (NTL's) listed in Title 43 CFR 3162.

Anyone submitting an informal EOI that certain lands be offered in an oil and gas competitive lease auction, and that the EOI includes split-estate lands (private Surface/Federal minerals) must provide, with the EOI, the name and address of the current private surface owner(s). Whenever a split-estate parcel is included in an oil and gas Notice of Competitive Lease Sale, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will send a courtesy letter to the surface owner(s). The letter will provide the surface owner(s) notice of the scheduled auction as well as information about the BLM's regulations and procedures for Federal oil and gas leasing and development on split-estate lands. Any EOI including split-estate lands that is submitted in the future, or is now pending with a BLM State Office, that does not provide the name and address of the surface owner(s) will not be processed by the BLM. Such lands will not be placed on a list of lands included in a Notice of Competitive Lease Sale until the required information is provided.

Some of the parcels may contain a special Cultural Resources Lease Notice stating that all development activities proposed under the authority of these leases are subject to compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA and Executive Order 13007. Standard terms and conditions as well as special stipulations listed in the RMP would also apply.

Many of the parcels have one or more of the following stipulations associated with the lease, as shown in Appendix B of the EA:

- LEASE NOTICES
NV-040-005-004 Historic Trails (Pony Express)
NV-040-005-003 Historic Sites
NV-040-005-002 Cultural Sites
- LEASE TIMING STIPULATIONS
NV-040-002-006 Desert Bighorn Sheep Habitat
NV-040-002-005 Big Game Crucial Winter Range
NV-040-002-004 Big Game Calving/Fawning/Kidding/Lambing Grounds
NV-040-002-003 Raptor Nest Sites
NV-040-002-002 Sage Grouse Nesting Habitat Associated with Leks
NV-040-002-001 Sage Grouse Winter Range
- LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS
NV-040-001-010 Threatened and Endangered, and Sensitive Species Sites
NV-040-001-007 Natural, Scenic, and Recreation Sites
NV-040-001-006 BLM Facilities
NV-040-001-005 Paleontological Sites
NV-040-001-002 Cultural Sites
NV-040-001-001 Sage Grouse Leks

No additional mitigation measures are necessary at this time. However, if parcels were developed in the future, site-specific mitigation measures and Best Management Practices (BMPs) (**Appendix D**) would be attached as Condition of Approval (COA) for each proposed activity, which would be analyzed under their own site-specific NEPA analysis.

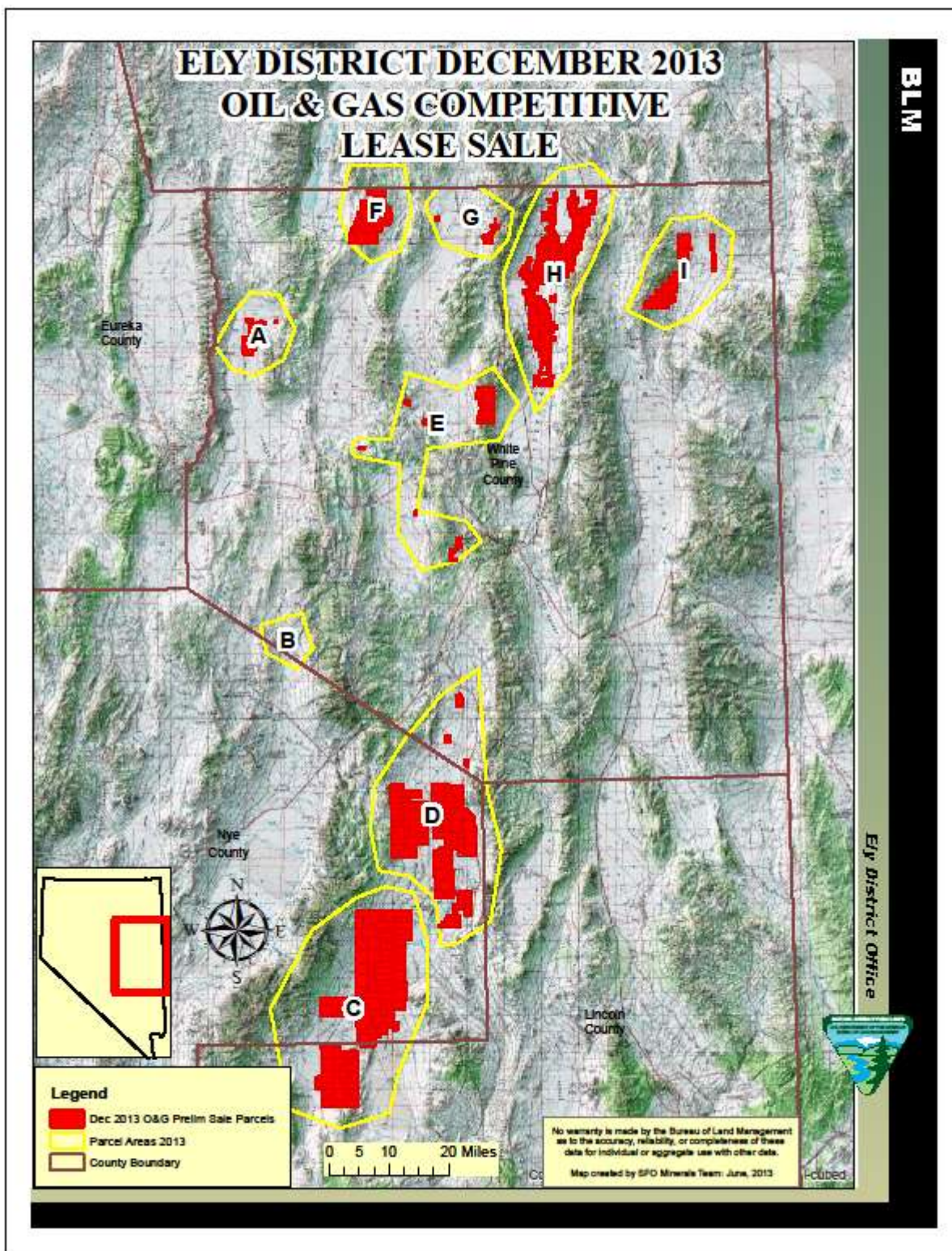


Figure 2.2 Nominated Parcels Map

2.3 No Action Alternative:

In accordance with BLM NEPA guidelines H-1790-1, Chapter V (BLM 2008), this EA evaluates the No Action Alternative. The objective of the No Action Alternative is to describe the environmental consequences that would result if the Proposed Action were not implemented. The No Action Alternative forms the baseline from which the impacts of all other alternatives can be measured. In the case of a lease sale, this would mean that all expressions of interest to lease (parcel nominations) would be denied or rejected.

Under the No Action Alternative, the BLM would withdraw all 216 nominated lease parcels from the December 2013 lease sale. Surface management would remain the same and ongoing oil and gas development would continue on surrounding leased federal, private, and state lands.

If the BLM does not lease these Federal mineral resources, demand would likely be addressed through imports or production elsewhere.

2.4 Alternatives Considered but not Analyzed in Detail:

Through public scoping and tribal consultation, deferment was requested for all of the nominated parcels located in Steptoe and Antelope valleys. This alternative would result in moving forward with 162 parcels instead of 216 parcels, or a total of 304,491 acres instead of 399,873 acres, being offered for auction, which would not meet the purpose and need as stated above. Executive Order 13212 calls for agencies to “expedite projects that will increase the production, transmission, or conservation of energy” and deferment would further delay potential energy resource production from public lands.

No other alternatives to the proposed action were apparent that would meet the purpose and need of the Proposed Action.

2.5 Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario:

A Reasonably Foreseeable Development scenario (RFD) for oil and gas is a long-term projection of oil and gas exploration, development, production, and reclamation activity. The RFD covers oil and gas activity in a defined area for a specified period of time. The RFD projects a baseline scenario of activity assuming all potentially productive areas can be open under standard lease terms and conditions, except those areas designated as closed to leasing by law, regulation, or executive order. The baseline RFD provides the mechanism to analyze the effects that discretionary management decisions have on oil and gas activity. The RFD also provides the basic information that is analyzed in the NEPA document under various alternatives. The RFD discloses indirect future or potential impacts that could occur once the lands are leased. Prior to any future development, the BLM would require a site-specific NEPA analysis at the exploration and development stages in order to comply with NEPA.

Over 10 million acres (87%) of the Ely decision area are open to fluid mineral leasing (**Table 2.5** below). For the Ely RMP, approximately 71% of the areas that are “closed” or with “No Surface Occupancy” (NSO) restrictions would occur in areas that have a high to moderate potential for the occurrence of fluid minerals. About half of these acres occur in designated wilderness and wilderness study areas. Discretionary closures and no surface occupancy areas make up about 5% of the decision area.

The Proposed Action does not include any surface disturbance, such as exploration, development, production, or final reclamation of oil and gas resources. However, authorization of oil and gas leasing does convey a right to subsequent exploration and production activities.

There are also new concerns regarding pressurized hydraulic fracturing, commonly known as “fracking”. Fracking is the artificial propagation of fractures in a rock layer by injecting large quantities of water, and fracturing fluids at a high volume and pressure. This fractures the geologic formation creating passages through which gas and liquids can flow and overall increase permeability of tight formations, such as shale. Fracking typically uses “slick water,” which is a mixture of water, sand, and a cocktail of chemical ingredients with a number of purposes, including increasing viscosity of the fluid and impeding bacterial growth or mineral deposition. Although fracking itself is not a new technology, it did not become a feasible means of deep shale gas production until the late 2000s. Whereas before fracking only increased permeability in a limited zone radiating from the well bore, more recently engineers have honed the fracking process by incorporating horizontal drilling, multi-stage fracturing, slick-water, and improved equipment to allow the operator to fracture and extract resources from a larger volume from a single well. Modern fracking involves drilling vertically into shale formations up to hundreds of thousands of feet deep, and horizontally from 1,000 to 6,000 feet away from the well (CFBD & SC v. BLM & Salazar 2013).

The effect of fracking on the oil and gas economies has been tremendous. An April 2011 Congressional report (Committee on Energy and Commerce 2011) notes that “as a result of hydraulic fracturing and advances in horizontal drilling technology, natural gas production in 2010 reached the highest level in decades.” In some areas, the rate of drilling increased by more than an order of magnitude. For example, in the Marcellus Shale, “drilling companies were issued roughly 3,300 Marcellus gas-well permits in Pennsylvania in 2010, up from just 117 in 2007” (Urbina, Ian, 2011).

Although there is no surface disturbance associated with lease sales, new technology in fracking may increase the likelihood of developing oil and gas leases that may not have otherwise been developed only a few years ago. A second RFD based on this new technology may be plausible, but highly speculative at best that considers a full development scenario using new fracking

technology. A full development scenario of leased parcels, based on new fracking technology is discussed in Section 2.6.1.

The activities that are associated with oil and gas exploration and production would be analyzed as part of a site-specific NEPA analysis when and if an Application for Permit to Drill (APD) or Notice were received.

Table 2.5 Summary of Fluid Mineral Leasing in ELY RMP

Open to Fluid Mineral Leasing	Acres (approx)
Standard Lease Terms and Conditions	6,532,500
Moderate Restrictions (Timing/Surface Use Limitations)	3,277,200
Major Restrictions (No Surface Occupancy)	230,100
Open — Total:	10,039,800
Closed to Fluid Mineral Leasing	
Designated Wilderness/Wilderness Study Areas	1,153,500
Discretionary Closures	306,700
Closed — Total:	1,460,200
Total:	11,500,000

Note: There will be about 1,087,620 acres of lease notices that could apply to any of the above open categories.

2.6 General Assumptions for the Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario:

The following is a list of major assumptions upon which the reasonable foreseeable development scenario is based (Ely RMP 2008):

- There would be no major regulatory changes in federal or state statutes, regulations, policy, and guidance that govern the exploration and development of fluid minerals, including lease royalty provisions and lease rental fees.

Oil prices would remain sufficiently high to stimulate continued exploration and drilling. Recent historic highs in the price of oil may stimulate exploration activity above levels of the recent past. It is possible that higher prices may persist for the next few years. The reasonable foreseeable development scenario (ENSR 2004a) is a planning tool that was developed to accommodate the maximum development that could reasonably be expected to occur.

However, actual activity levels, as with prices, cannot be predicted with certainty.

- The amount of federal oil and gas acreage under lease in the decision area would range between 1.0 and 1.5 million acres. Increases in the lease inventory above 1.5 million acres would be driven by commodity prices and availability of land for leasing. As of

January 2005, there were 459 federal oil and gas leases covering approximately 1.0 million acres in the decision area. In the next year or two, leases may increase to as much as 3 million acres. This would be due to the unprecedented spike in the price of oil, recent discoveries in similar geologic plays in other parts of the Great Basin, and the availability of additional lands for leasing that have not been available for several years due to the lack of appropriate NEPA analysis.

- Based on 2000 to 2004 numbers, additional federal lease sales are projected to average approximately 220,000 acres per year for the next several years. Due to the factors outlined above, lease sales could average as much as 400,000 acres per year within the next 1 to 2 years.
- It cannot be predicted at this time how much acreage eventually would be held by production, which is entirely dependent on the discovery of commercial oil and gas fields.
- Past oil and gas exploration has concentrated on oil plays (oil-bearing formations) within valley floors. New regional discoveries and a recent oil and gas resource assessment, however, indicate that a large amount of exploration could take place in the mountains (see Map 4.18-1) (U.S. Geological Survey 2005).
- Seismic surveys are a critical part of oil and gas exploration. If new discoveries are made or new plays are developed, seismic activity would increase. It is assumed that approximately 30 miles of seismic survey would be conducted per year, based on recent experience.
- New field discoveries would be similar in size and surface disturbance to the Trap Springs and Kate Springs oil fields within Railroad Valley.
- The reasonably foreseeable development scenario is made without respect to any existing or proposed leasing stipulations and conditions of approval in accordance with BLM guidance.
- Actual locations of potential exploration wells and field development are unknown. The impacts associated with these activities are likely to occur anywhere within the Assessment Area that is of high or moderate, or even low, potential for oil and gas resources.

- New drilling techniques, such as directional drilling and formation fracturing with pressurized hydraulic fluids “fracking” has made advancements in oil discovery and production.

As shown on Table 4.18-2 of the Ely 2008 RMP, a total of 448 wells would be drilled resulting in total short-term (5 to 10 years) disturbance of approximately 8,400 acres and a long-term (about 20 years for producing wells) disturbance of approximately 1,400 acres. Short-term disturbance as defined for the reasonably foreseeable development scenario includes locations for wells in the plugged and abandoned category that would be reclaimed immediately after drilling or construction.

The RFD provides the basis for the analysis of the environmental consequences in Chapter 4 of this document. The RFD for the Assessment Area is based on the geology, oil and gas development history, oil and gas potential, BLM well data, and data from other EAs for oil and gas leases in eastern Nevada.

2.6.1 Alternative Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario:

The previous section discloses that an analysis of 448 wells affecting 8,400 acres could be developed, if a major oil field is developed over the next 5-10 years. It is impossible to predict with certainty how resource development would occur in the future. The interaction of prices, markets, technology, and environmental concerns all play a role. The reasonable foreseeable development scenarios were developed based on past exploration activities and estimates of future exploration and development activity given the potential occurrence of the resources.

Under this scenario, the Ely District would experience a full development of leased parcels scenario based on new fracking technology. One might assume that instead of one oil or gas field being developed, two well fields might be developed because of new fracking technology. Instead of 448 wells being drilled, it could double that amount to 900 wells drilled over the next 5-10 years affecting 17,000 acres. However, the number of disturbed acres may be significantly reduced by drilling multiple wells on a single pad. Current technology allows up to 12 wellheads on a single pad radiating outward into the producing formation below the surface.

If the number of wells exceeded the Ely RMP development scenario of 448 wells, additional NEPA would be required.

2.6.2 General Assumptions for the Alternative Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario:

The following is a list of major assumptions upon which the alternative reasonable foreseeable development scenario is based:

- There would be no major regulatory changes in federal or state statutes, regulations, policy, and guidance that govern the exploration and development of fluid minerals, including lease royalty provisions and lease rental fees.

Oil prices would remain sufficiently high to stimulate continued exploration and drilling. Recent historic highs in the price of oil may stimulate exploration activity above levels of the recent past. It is possible that higher prices may persist for the next few years. The reasonable foreseeable development scenario (ENSR 2004a) is a planning tool that was developed to accommodate the maximum development that could reasonably be expected to occur. However, actual activity levels, as with prices, cannot be predicted with certainty.

- The amount of federal oil and gas acreage under lease in the decision area would range between 2.0 and 4.5 million acres. Increases in the lease inventory above 2.5 million acres would be driven by commodity prices and new technology in drilling applications. As of January 2013, there were 906 federal oil and gas leases covering approximately 1.9 million acres in the decision area. In the next year or two, leases may increase to as much as 3 million acres. This would be due to the unprecedented spike in the price of oil, recent discoveries in similar geologic plays in other parts of the Great Basin, and advancements in fracking technology.
- It cannot be predicted at this time how much acreage eventually would be held by production, which is entirely dependent on the discovery of commercial oil and gas fields.
- Past oil and gas exploration has concentrated on oil plays (oil-bearing formations) within valley floors. New regional discoveries and a recent oil and gas resource assessment, however, indicate that a large amount of exploration could take place in the mountains (see Map 4.18-1) (U.S. Geological Survey 2005).
- Seismic surveys are a critical part of oil and gas exploration. If new discoveries are made or new plays are developed, seismic activity would increase. It is assumed that approximately 50 miles of seismic survey would be conducted per year, based on recent experience.
- New field discoveries would be similar in size and surface disturbance to the Trap Springs and Kate Springs oil fields within Railroad Valley.

- The reasonably foreseeable development scenario is made without respect to any existing or proposed leasing stipulations and conditions of approval in accordance with BLM guidance.
- Actual locations of potential exploration wells and field development are unknown. The impacts associated with these activities are likely to occur anywhere within the Assessment Area that is of high or moderate, or even low, potential for oil and gas resources.
- New drilling techniques, such as directional drilling and formation fracturing with pressurized hydraulic fluids “fracking” has made advancements in oil discovery and production.

2.7 Geology of Oil and Gas in Eastern Nevada:

Many of the rock formations found within the Assessment Area are indicative of a continental plate margin converging with an oceanic plate. A combination of depositional and orogenic (mountain building) events along this margin have resulted in the Assessment Area being generally prospective for hydrocarbon production.

The development of the Antler Orogeny in the Late Devonian to Early Mississippian allowed the deposition of the organic-rich source rocks necessary for hydrocarbon development. Late Cretaceous Sevier Orogeny created stacked set of thrust sheets, which buried the mid-Paleozoic organic sediments beneath a thickened crust where they could pass into the oil and gas-generating temperature and pressure windows. The Sevier Orogeny in Late Cretaceous also placed locally prospective reservoir rocks above the Mississippian source rocks in potential oil and gas traps. In geologic time following the Sevier Orogeny, the assessment area experienced varying amounts of volcanism and the development of the present-day basin and range topography. The late Tertiary volcanic rocks constitute the main reservoir of the oil fields in the Railroad Valley petroleum province. However, the Chainman Shale and the Pilot Shale of Mississippian ages are the potentially oil-bearing formations sought after in the majority of the Assessment Area. New directional drilling and fracking technology may allow for extensive exploration into these tight formations not previously considered feasible.

2.8 History of Oil and Gas Exploration within the Ely District:

The first oil discovery in Nevada occurred in 1954 in Railroad Valley. Railroad Valley is the predominate area of oil and gas production in Nevada. Nevada’s only oil refinery is located here. Most of the valley lies in Nye County, but it crosses into White Pine County at its northern end. Since 1907, over 970 wells have been drilled in Nevada. This includes about 270 wells drilled since 1986 of which about 50 were producers.

Locally, numerous exploration or “wildcat” wells have been drilled throughout White Pine, Northeast Nye, and Lincoln Counties. However, even though many have had oil shows, there are currently only two producing wells within the Ely District boundary. However, new advancements in directional drilling and fracking technology may increase this number in the next ten years.

The first well drilled in the Ely District was in 1920 when the Illipah Syndicate drilled a well in the Barrel Springs area of the White Pine Range in White Pine County. The well was drilled in Section 11, Township 17 North, Range 58 East and reached a total depth of 929 feet with gas and oil shows (evidence of oil and gas) (Garside et al. 1988). The Illipah Syndicate drilled three (3) more wells in the 1920s in the Barrel Springs area with numerous oil and gas shows, but with no commercial results.

About 200 wells have been drilled in the district since the 1920s. Since 1950, slightly more than 170 wells have been drilled in the district, and 90 percent of them were abandoned with only one well currently in production. Many wells had evidence of the presence of hydrocarbons, but not in commercially producible quantities. A small percentage of wells were converted to disposal wells or water wells.

Drilling activity in the 1950s was sparse with only one well drilled in some years, and in other years, no drilling occurred. Since 1964, an average of about four (4) wells per year has been drilled in the district, with most of the wells being drilled in White Pine County (Hess 2001). However, approximately 68 wells have been drilled in the Nye County portion of the district, and most of those are in the Railroad Valley. Most of the drilling occurred on federal leases, and the federal government owns the overwhelming amount of leased minerals. More than one-third of the wells in the district were drilled to depths of between 2,500 and 5,000 feet.

A little more than 5% of the wells were drilled to more than 10,000 feet deep. The deepest well in the district, drilled in 1983, was the Commodore Resources Outlaw Federal #1 drilled to a total depth of 13,000 feet in White Pine County (Section 1, Township 10 North, Range 70 East). The well was drilled east of the Snake Range and had reported hydrocarbon shows, but tests on the oil were not conclusive of naturally occurring hydrocarbons (Poole and Claypoole 1984).

The U.S. Geological Survey (Peterson and Grow 1995) estimated the potential undiscovered technically recoverable hydrocarbon resources for the Eastern Basin and Range area, of which the Assessment Area is part. Their estimates, when extrapolated to the district, indicate that the potential hydrocarbon resource in the district is nearly 98 million barrels of oil and almost 16 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

These estimates are the mean values presented by Peterson and Grow (1995). Low-grade coal (lignite) is present in the district, but mineable deposits have not been found. Therefore, there is very low or no potential for coalbed natural gas resources in the Ely District. Therefore, coalbed natural gas is not included in the natural gas resource estimate.

Based on the foregoing, much of the Assessment Area has a high potential for hydrocarbons based on the following geologic characteristics:

- Presence of hydrocarbon source rocks
- Evidence of thermal maturation
- Presence of reservoir rocks with adequate porosity and permeability
- Potential for hydrocarbon traps to exist

There are places in the district where Precambrian-age metamorphic and volcanic rocks are the dominant surface rock types, but the presence of these rocks does not preclude the potential for the occurrence of deeper hydrocarbons in these areas. It is possible that hydrocarbon resources may have been buried by thrust faults or extrusive igneous rocks and that current exploration technique, exclusive of random drilling, cannot define the location or depth of these hidden potential resources.

2.9 History of Oil and Gas Leasing within the Ely District:

Based on 2002 to 2012 leasing numbers below in **Table 2.9** below, federal lease sales average approximately 395,000 acres per year over the last 10 years. The largest amount of acreage leased within the past 10 years was in 2005 where it surpassed 800,000 acres. However, since the new oil and gas leasing reform in 2011, the BLM state office put a limit of 200 parcels per sale and one sale per district office per year. At a maximum of 2,560 acres per parcel, this calculates the total leasable acreage per sale to 512,000. Taking on additional lease sales are optional to the District Office.

The table below also demonstrates the constant turnover of leased parcels. Although the BLM has leased over 3.9 million acres of public land for oil & gas development in the past 11 years, only 2.2 million acres of the 4.4 million acres of leased public land remains authorized. The December 2013 lease sale could add another 384,000 leased acres, while over 14,000 remaining leased acres in 2002 will expire this year.

Only 30 wells were authorized in the Ely District over the past 11 years, even though there is currently 1,001 active leases covering over 2 million acres of public land (**Table 2.9**).

Table 2.9

Year Leased	No. of Parcels Leased	Leased Acreage	Currently Active Leases	Current Acreage Leased	# of APDs Approved
2002	29	109,226			1
2003	55	77,836			2
2004	119	309,539			6
2005	341	827,236			1
2006	282	675,461			3
2007	93	167,683			3
2008	278	535,768			1
2009	138	263,519			2
2010	178	551,843			2
2011	131	325,637			1
2012	66	108,483			4
Totals:	1710	3,952,231	906	1,976,307	30

Chapter 3 Affected Environment:

3.1 Introduction:

This chapter describes the existing environment in the project area including physical, biological, social, and economic resources, potential direct and indirect impacts to these resources.

3.2 General Setting:

There are no known oil reserves within any of the proposed parcel areas. The oil-bearing formations sought in White Pine County are the Chainman and Pilot shales, as well as, Devonian age subthrust structures known to be present in some valleys within the Assessment Area. The nominate parcels have been segregated into eight areas of analysis (**Figure 2.2**).

Area A contains three (3) parcels located in Newark Valley, all within the basin and partially within the playa lakebed, bounded by Buck Mountain range to the east and the Diamond Range to the west. Most of these parcels are susceptible to dust storms that occur frequently in this section of Newark Valley. Local traffic is limited to ranchers and Barrick Gold's Bald Mountain Mine. No exploration wells have ever been drilled in these parcels. However, historically there have been seven (7) exploration wells drilled within the Newark Valley basin north of Highway 50. Three (3) of these wells reported shows or signs of oil and or gas, but nothing in producible amounts at the time they were drilled.

Area B is a single 710-acre parcel in northern Railroad Valley located northeast of the Duckwater Reservation and six (6) miles south of Green Springs. The parcel is on the eastern flank of the Bull Creek drainage and is dominated by low scrubs and sagebrush. Ranching/grazing dominate the current use for this area. The BLM is currently processing an APD to drill an exploration well seven miles to the north near Green Springs. There have been four (4) exploration wells drilled in northern Railroad Valley to date and only one (1) reported any show of oil. The well was not put into production before it was plugged and abandoned.

Area C is the largest area comprised of eight (80) north-south trending parcels located in Garden, Coal and White River valleys, and encompasses most of the Golden Gate Range. It is a mixture of sagebrush communities on benches and valleys to sparsely vegetated rugged terrain. Agriculture and grazing dominate the public use of this area. The Golden Gate Range is predominately considered a big game crucial winter habitat. Four (4) exploration wells were drilled in this section of Coal Valley and only one (1) well drilled in Garden Valley. Only one of the wells in Coal Valley reported oil shows, but was never developed into a producing well. Another was converted into a water well.

Area D is a group of 56 parcels located all within North White River Valley, predominately on the west side of Highway 318. North White River Valley is bound to the east by the South Egans Wilderness Area and to the west by the Grant Range. At the southern end of Area D is the Kirch Wildlife Management Area (WMA) managed by the Nevada Department of Wildlife. The primary management emphasis on the WMA is the protection of wetlands and waterfowl. This area is also used for hunting, fishing, and recreational camping by the public. Sagebrush communities dominate the landscape in this valley. Other uses include grazing, ranching and agriculture.

Forty-four (44) exploration wells have been drilled so far in northern White River Valley. Two (2) additional exploration APDs for this area have been approved by the BLM in the past year, however neither well has yet to be drilled. Sixteen (16) of these wells reported either oil shows, gas shows, or both.

Area E is a diverse, broad area with only ten (10) parcel in it. This area encompasses part of the Ruth Robinson Mine, Jakes Valley, Butte Mountains, Butte Valley, and the Egan Range. Only one parcel is on a valley bottom, while the rest are on hillsides, benches, or mountainous terrain. Thirteen (13) exploration were drilled near or within this area and 9 reported either oil shows, gas shows, or both.

Area F is a remote area in the Maverick Springs Range in the northern edge of the District containing 10 parcels bound by Ruby Valley to the west and Long Valley to the east. All roads

are primitive at best and the area is approximately half way between Ely and Elko. No exploration wells have been drilled in this area in the past.

Area G has two (2) parcels located in the District's northern end of Butte Valley. Parcel #150's hilly terrain rests on the western edge of the valley that is probably overgrazed in sections. Parcel #162 is on the eastern most edge of the valley surrounding the Paris Ranch and adjacent to the Goshute Wilderness Area. Previously burned areas are visible to the south-southeast of Paris Ranch. Only two (2) exploration wells have been drilled near these areas and both reported oil and gas shows.

Area H contains 45 parcels all within the northern end of Steptoe Valley bounded by the Egan range to the west and the Schell Creek Range to the east. The southern end terminates just south of Monte Neva Hot Springs. This area is predominately used for agriculture and grazing. Only three (3) exploration wells have been drilled near this area and one (1) reported an oil show.

Area I has nine (9) parcels in Antelope Valley. Eight (8) of them are along the eastern Antelope Range bench. The single parcel on the valley floor borders the Goshute Reservation. Only two (2) exploration wells have been drilled near this area in the past and one (1) reported an oil show.

3.3 Resources/Concerns Analyzed:

The following sections evaluate resources for the potential for significant impacts to occur, either directly or indirectly, due to implementation of the proposed action. Potential impacts were evaluated in accordance with criteria listed in section 1.5 of this paper to determine if detailed analysis was required. Consideration of some of these items is to ensure compliance with laws, statutes or Executive Orders that impose certain requirements upon all Federal actions. Other items are relevant to the management of public lands in general, and to the Ely District BLM in particular.

The Mandatory Elements of the Human Environment are listed in **Table 3.3** below. Elements that may be affected would be further described in this EA. A rationale for elements that may or may not be adversely affected is also included in table below.

At the time of this review, it is not known whether all nominated parcels will receive bids, if leases will be issued, or if well sites or roads might be proposed in the future. Detailed site-specific analysis of individual wells or roads would occur when an APD is submitted.

Table 3.3 Supplemental Authorities and Ely District additional resources to consider.

Resource/Concern	Issue(s) (Y/N)	Rationale for Dismissal from Detailed Analysis or Issue(s) Requiring Detailed Analysis
Air Quality	N	Air Quality is not an issue for lease sales since no ground disturbing activities are associated with the sales. Air Quality concerns during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features, mitigation measures, and/or project stipulations.
Cultural Resources	Y	Analyzed in Potentially Affected Resources and Environmental Effects sections due to potential impacts.
Forest Health	N	The majority of lease parcels do not occur within forested vegetation.
Water Resources and Water Rights	N	Water Resources and Water Rights are not issues for lease sales since no ground disturbing activities are associated with the sales. Any concerns that arise during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features, mitigation measures, and/or project stipulations.
Migratory Birds	N	Several species of migratory birds are known to have a distribution that overlaps with the project area. Long-term population trends of migratory birds would not be affected by the leasing of parcels. If drilling were to occur during the nesting season, parcels would be surveyed prior to exploration, to prevent potential effects to nesting migratory birds.
Rangeland Health and Vegetation Resources	N	Rangeland Health and Vegetation Resources would not be affected by the lease sale. Any vegetation resource concerns that arise during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features and/or, mitigation.

Resource/Concern	Issue(s) (Y/N)	Rationale for Dismissal from Detailed Analysis or Issue(s) Requiring Detailed Analysis
Native American Religious and Other Concerns	N	A consultation letter to tribes was sent and a meeting with the Goshute Tribal Council took place on June 7, 2013. Site-specific NEPA analysis and cultural surveys would be required prior to any future development of the leased parcels.
FWS Listed or proposed for listing Threatened or Endangered Species or critical habitat.	Y	The federally endangered White River spine dace (<i>Lepidomeda albivallis</i>) occurs within 1 mile of a leased parcel.
Wastes, Hazardous or Solid	N	The proposed action would not cause any wastes. A detailed analysis is not required.
Water Quality, Drinking/Groundwater	N	Water Quality, whether related to surface or ground sources, is not an issue for lease sales. Site specific NEPA analysis would be required prior to any future development of the leased parcels. Any Water Quality concerns that arise during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features and/or mitigation included in the subsequent NEPA documents.
Environmental Justice	Y	There are no known disadvantaged populations that would be adversely impacted by the project. This portion is further analyzed in the Potential Affected Resources and Environmental Effects sections.
Socioeconomics	Y	Analyzed in Potentially Affected Resources and Environmental Effects sections
Floodplains	N	Some Parcels are within flood areas on GIS flood maps. Flood plains are not an issue for lease sales. Any concerns during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features, mitigation measures, and/or project stipulations.

Resource/Concern	Issue(s) (Y/N)	Rationale for Dismissal from Detailed Analysis or Issue(s) Requiring Detailed Analysis
Farm Lands (Prime or Unique)	N	Prime Farmlands are not an Issue for lease sales since soil disturbance is not associated with lease sales per se. Prime Farmlands would be considered in subsequent parcel development operations to ascertain if the pertinent soil associations would be effected by parcel development.
Wetlands/Riparian Zones	N	Wetlands/Riparian Areas are not an issue for lease sales. Any concerns during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features, mitigation measures, and/or project stipulations.
Invasive Non-native Species	N	No ground disturbing activities are associated with the lease sale. Therefore, no further analysis is required.
Wilderness/ WSA	N	None of the proposed parcels are within designated wilderness or WSA boundaries. A 1,000-ft buffer has been established around these features for additional protection of the resource. A detailed analysis is not required.
Lands with Wilderness Characteristics (LWC)	Y	25 of the proposed parcels overlap nine units which were found to possess Lands with Wilderness Character
Heritage Special Designations (Historic Trails, ACEC's designated for Cultural Resources)	Y	Analyzed in Potentially Affected Resources and Environmental Effects sections.
Human Health and Safety	N	Resource would not be affected by proposed action. A detailed analysis is not required.
Wild and Scenic Rivers	N	Resource is not present.
Special Status Animal Species, other than those listed or proposed by the FWS as Threatened or Endangered	Y	The leasing of parcels has no surface ground disturbance and therefore would not affect special status animal species; however numerous special status animal species occur within the parcels and could be impacted if oil and gas development were to occur.

Resource/Concern	Issue(s) (Y/N)	Rationale for Dismissal from Detailed Analysis or Issue(s) Requiring Detailed Analysis
Special Status Plant Species, other than those listed or proposed by the FWS as Threatened or Endangered	Y	The leasing of parcels has no surface disturbance and therefore would not affect sensitive plants; however sensitive plants occur within the parcels and could be impacted if oil and gas development were to occur.
Fish and Wildlife	Y	The leasing of parcels has no surface disturbance and therefore would not affect fish and wildlife species; however wildlife occur within the parcels and could be impacted if oil and gas development were to occur.
Wild Horses	N	No impacts to horses would occur from the leasing of land. A detailed analysis is not required.
Soils Resources	N	Soil Resources is not an Issue for lease sales since ground disturbing actions are not associated with the sales per se. Any concerns during development of parcels subsequent to lease sales would be handled through design features, mitigation measures, and/or project stipulations. Riparian or hydric soils are included with Wetland/Riparian Areas.
Visual Resources Management (VRM)	Y	Analyzed in Potentially Affected Resources and Environmental Effects sections.
Grazing Uses/Forage	N	No impacts to grazing uses would occur from the proposed action. A detailed analysis is not required.
Land Uses	N	The proposed project parcels were reviewed for land action/status conflicts. Any that resulted in conflicts with status, land actions, legal descriptions were recommended for deferral until they can be reviewed further.
Recreation Uses including Back country Byways, Caves, Rockhounding Areas	N	Recreational areas would not be affected by proposed action. No further analysis required.
Paleontological Resource	N	A BLM records search was conducted to ensure that no known paleontological resources were present in the parcels that have special interest or importance to the general public. A detailed analysis is not required.
Vegetative Resources	N	There is no surface disturbance associated with the proposed action. No further analysis is required.

Resource/Concern	Issue(s) (Y/N)	Rationale for Dismissal from Detailed Analysis or Issue(s) Requiring Detailed Analysis
Mineral Resources	N	The leasing of the parcels gives the lessee the right to explore for oil and gas on their lease(s). Development of these leases would not impact other mineral resources. No further analysis is required.
Fuels and Fire Management	N	As the proposed action is limited to leasing and the right conveyed therein there is no need for detailed analysis of Fuels or Fire Management.

3.4 Cultural Resources Affected Environment:

The cultural landscape on the Ely District has evidence of a long history of human occupation. The earliest commonly accepted date for human presence in the Eastern Great Basin is approximately 10,000 to 11,000 years before present and has been consistently, though not densely populated up to the present day (Aikens and Madsen 1986). The historic cultural landscape encompasses artifacts, features, and sites related to mining, ranching, agriculture, and the settlement of the American West. Data for the assessment of cultural resources was reviewed from the Nevada Cultural Resource Inventory System (NVCRIS), GLO Records, the National Register of Historic Places online database, and records housed at the BLM Ely District Office. Based on current records, some identified parcels do contain dense deposits of cultural resources.

A Class I literature review was conducted to ensure that cultural sites with extraordinary significance or importance to the general public were not present in the parcels, i.e. national or state historic monuments, public interpretation sites. A brief explanation of the potential substantial cost in time and money of mitigating project effects to cultural sites will also be included. Class III cultural inventory is recommended before the issuance of APD permits for all parcels. The vast majority of the acreage for the 2013 Lease Sale has not been adequately inventoried for cultural resources. Below is a list of cultural resource concerns for each Assessment Area. Due to the extremely large amount of acreage encompassed by the Assessment Areas, a brief summary was prepared, defining the known cultural resources present and identifying areas that need additional inventory.

Area A: This relatively small area contains 3 archeological sites that in 2008 were determined to be eligible for the National Register. Previous inventories are not recent or comprehensive enough to provide enough sufficient additional information. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area B: This area contains sites that may be eligible to the National Register. In addition, there are paleontological concerns within the area. Previous inventories in this parcel are not recent enough or comprehensive enough to clear the parcel for development. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area C: This extensive area contains many potentially eligible sites, including historic structures. The previous inventories that were completed in the northern portion of the area identified only isolates. However, the central portion contains at least one prehistoric site that is eligible for inclusion to the National Register. The site includes manuports, diagnostic artifacts, and evidence of prehistoric structures. Adequate cultural resource inventory for the southern portion of area C has not been completed. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area D: A cultural resource inventory done in 1993 identified at least one National Register

eligible site within the Assessment Area. Additionally, an inventory completed in 2009 identified at least one other National Register eligible site. There are other potentially eligible sites present as well. Several potentially eligible historic structures are located within area D including the townsite of White River, the White River Post Office, the Emigrant Station at White River, and the Silver Spring Station. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for lots within this parcel.

Area E: The majority of the parcels available within this area have not been surveyed for cultural resources. The two parcels in the southern end of the area have known sites within them. The inventories that have been completed in this Assessment Area tended to find isolates and lithic scatters. However, because the majority of the area has not been inventoried, there is a high possibility of incidental discovery of prehistoric and historic sites. The previously completed inventories discovered significant Paleo-indian artifacts including a well-formed crescent.

Of particular interest in the northeast portion of this area is the town site of Hunter. The site was identified in 1985 and recommended as eligible for inclusion on the National Register. The site was said to be in excellent condition at the time of recording. A historic smelter, trash dumps, and post office are associated with this site. A site revisit is recommended to determine if National Register nomination is an appropriate option for this site. As most of the surrounding area has never been inventoried, and taking into account the presence of historic sites as well as important Paleo-indian sites, adequate Class III inventory must be completed before APD approval.

Area F: This Assessment Area contains a segment of the Pony Express Trail that is considered a contributing element to its significance and integrity in regards to eligibility and listing on the National Register. The site record associated with it was last updated in 1999. In addition, the site record indicates that a portion of the Overland Stage road is located within this parcel. All other cultural resource inventory activity was done in the 1970's, early 1980's, and 1992. These inventories noted the presence of two antelope traps within the Assessment Area. Other records for sites identified in this area are incomplete and would not be considered adequate by contemporary standards. Therefore, this parcel has not been adequately inventoried for cultural resources. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area G: This Assessment Area has been surveyed for cultural resources in the early 1980's, 1998, and 2002. The more recent inventories located a number of significant lithic scatters determined to be eligible to the National Register. The portions of the Assessment Area that have been inventoried contain several large lithic scatters, mainly in the western portion. However, the 1998 inventory located a lithic scatter so large that the western, eastern, and southern boundaries of the site have never been determined. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area H: In 2007, a segment of the Jackass Express route and the Central Overland Stage route were identified within this Assessment Area. The Pony Express diverted from these earlier routes in the Steptoe Valley (southern portion of the area). Several parcels within area H include portions of these historic linear resources. Other cultural resources within this parcel are generally not eligible for the National Register. However, a prehistoric site in the northern portion of the Assessment Area was determined to be eligible. The proximity to Goshute Lake is also concerning because of the potential for incidental discovery of cultural resources. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

Area I: This Assessment Area borders the western boundary of the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Indian Reservation, making it especially sensitive in regards to cultural resources, including Traditional Cultural Properties (TCPs). Sites recorded in this area were originally inventoried in the early 1980's. There is at least one historic site that may be eligible for the National Register. Further research and possibly subsurface testing would be necessary to ascertain the condition and nature of the site. The Chinn home site and associated sheep ranching structures may need an architectural survey if they still exist. As of the early 1980's, these resources were in fair to poor condition. Additionally, the Pony Express Historical Monument, the Tippet town site, the Tippet Post Office, the Antelope Springs Station, and portions of the Lincoln Highway all fall within the Assessment Area. APD approval would be contingent on the completion of an adequate Class III inventory for parcels within this area.

3.4.1 Heritage Special Designations (Historic Trails, ACEC's designated for Cultural Resources) Affected Environment:

The Pony Express National Historic Trail meanders through approximately 150 miles of the Ely District. Several of the parcels intersect with the trail and or fall within the trail's viewshed.

3.5 Fish and Wildlife Affected Environment:

The Assessment Area includes nine (9) groups of parcels across the Ely District. These parcels are expected to provide habitat for a large number of wildlife species, mostly terrestrial with some aquatic. Many species of birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish and invertebrates may find any one of the proposed lease areas suitable habitat. A few parcels proposed for leasing fall in areas of special importance to one or more wildlife species, such as crucial winter range for mule deer. These areas may have special stipulations concerning drilling activities, which will have to be followed by anyone proposing to develop specific sites.

3.5.1 Special Status plant and animal species other than those listed as Threatened or Endangered Affected Environment:

A number of the parcels proposed for leasing have populations of plants or animals designated as Sensitive by the Nevada BLM (**Appendix C**). The White River Valley's unique geology and hydrology provides unique habitat for a number of sensitive plant and fish species, such as Sunnyside green gentian (*Frasera gypsicola*), Tiehm blazingstar (*Mentzelia tiehmii*), Eastwood

milkvetch (*Asclepias eastwoodiana*), Newark Valley tui chub (*Gila bicolor newarkensis*), relict dace (*Relictus solitaries*), White River desert sucker (*Catostomus clarki intermedius*), and White River speckled dace (*Rhinichthys osculus ssp 7*).

Additionally, the greater sage-grouse has recently been determined by the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) that the species is “warranted for listing but precluded by species of higher priority” and categorized it as a Candidate species. The BLM is emphasizing conservation measures to promote sustainable greater sage-grouse populations and conservation of its habitat. There is Preliminary Primary Habitat (PPH) and Preliminary General Habitat (PGH) located within the watersheds with leased parcels. There are no parcels with PPH, which are areas that have been identified as having the highest conservation value to maintaining sustainable greater sage-grouse populations which include breeding, nesting, brood-rearing, and winter concentration areas. There are numerous parcels with PGH, which are areas of occupied seasonal or year-round habitat outside of priority habitat. Parcels within PGH were analyzed using GIS and knowledge of greater sage-grouse use to determine if any parcels should be deferred based on importance of habitat. One full parcel and a portion of another parcel were deferred for protection of important greater sage-grouse habitat.

Areas with special status species have special stipulations concerning drilling activities, which will have to be followed by anyone proposing to develop specific sites.

3.5.2 FWS Listed or Proposed for Listing Threatened, Endangered, or Critical Habitat

The White River spinedace (*Lepidomeda albivallis*), is federally endangered under the Endangered Species Act. This endangered species inhabits Flag Spring which flows in a northwest direction away from the parcels. Because portion of parcels within ½ mile of the Kirch Wildlife Management Area have been deferred, Flag Springs is 1½ miles to the nearest leased parcels. If drilling were to occur within the vicinity of listed species habitat, it would be subject to section 7 consultation under the Endangered Species Act with the level of consultation to be determined based upon the project site specific proposed action. Consultation would be completed prior to a decision being signed for any specific action which may have an effect on a listed species.

3.6 Environmental Justice Affected Environment:

There are no known disadvantaged populations or communities residing on or in the immediate surrounding area of any of the parcels proposed for leasing.

Several proposed lease parcels overlap private property and are considered split-estates, a case where the subsurface minerals are federally owned and the private ownership is limited to the surface of the land. In these instances, no authorization is necessary from the Federal Government to conduct geophysical operations. The operator, following the purchase of the lease, must make a good faith effort to notify the private surface owner before entering private

surface to stake a well location and access road or to conduct cultural or biological surveys. The BLM will invite the surface owner to participate in the onsite and final reclamation inspections and will take into consideration the needs of the surface owner when reviewing the Application for Permit to Drill or Reenter (APD) and reclamation plans and when approving final abandonment and reclamation. The BLM will offer the surface owner the same level of surface protection that the BLM provides on Federal surface. The BLM will not apply standards or conditions that exceed those that would normally be applied to Federal surface, even when requested by the surface owner. Prior to approval of the APD (or Sundry Notice to conduct new surface disturbing activities), the operator must certify as part of the complete application that a good faith effort had been made to reach a surface use agreement with the private surface owner and that an agreement was reached or that it failed. If the surface owner and operator fail to reach an agreement, the operator must file a bond with the BLM (\$1,000 minimum) for the benefit of the surface owner to cover compensation, such as for reasonable and foreseeable loss of crops and damages to tangible improvements. Prior to approving the APD, the BLM will advise the surface owner of the right to object to the sufficiency of the bond and will review the value of the bond if the surface owner objects. The BLM will either confirm the current bond amount or establish a new amount. Once the operator has filed an adequate bond, the BLM may approve the APD. Following APD approval, the operator and the surface owner may appeal the BLM's final decision on the bond amount.

The operator must negotiate in good faith with the surface owner. Negotiating in good faith provides a forum through which the operator and surface owner can discuss the preferences and needs of both the surface owner and the operator. In addressing those needs, the operator may be able to modify the development proposal to both minimize damage to the surface owner's property while reducing reclamation and surface damage costs. A typical operation would require approximately five acres to accommodate uses including the well pad, reserve pit, flare pit, multiple trailers to serve as living quarters for crew members, pipe racks, a well, chemical storage, and roads to access the site.

3.7 Socioeconomics Affected Environment:

The proposed lease parcels are located only within White Pine County. White Pine County's total population, according to the 2010 Census, is approximately 10,030 with a population density of right at 1.1 persons per square mile. The median household income is \$48,063 and the unemployment rate in October 2011 was 8.3 percent. Any oil exploration or development on these parcels may provide the county with positive financial gains.

3.8 Visual Resource Management Affected Environment:

The proposed parcels nominated for lease fall within Visual Resource Management Classes II, III, and IV. Visual resources are identified through the Visual Resource Management (VRM)

inventory. This inventory consists of a scenic quality evaluation, sensitivity level analysis and a delineation of distance zones. Based on these factors, BLM-administered lands are placed into four visual resource inventory classes: VRM Class I, II, III and IV. Class I and II are the most valued, Class III represents a moderate value and Class IV is of the least value. VRM classes serve two purposes: (1) as an inventory tool that portrays the relative value of visual resources in the area, and (2) as a management tool that provides an objective for managing visual resources.

Table 3.8.1 VRM Classification Objectives

VRM CLASS	Visual Resource Objective	Change Allowed (Relative Level)	Relationship to the Casual Observer
Class I	Preserve the existing character of the landscape. Manage for natural ecological changes.	Very Low	Activities should not be visible and must not attract attention.
Class II	Retain the existing character of the landscape.	Low	Activities may be visible, but should not attract attention.
Class III	Partially retain the existing character of the landscape.	Moderate	Activities may attract attention, but should not dominate the view.
Class IV	Provide for management activities, which require major modification of the existing character of the landscape.	High	Activities may attract attention, may dominate the view, but are still mitigated

Table 3.8.2 VRM by Area

Parcel Area	VRM Class	Percentage of Parcels within specified Class
Area A	III	97
	IV	3
Area B	III	100
Area C	II	42
	III	53
	IV	5
Area D	III	56
	IV	44
Area E	II	34

Parcel Area	VRM Class	Percentage of Parcels within specified Class
	III	54
	IV	12
Area F	II	33
	III	50
	IV	17
Area G	III	50
	IV	50
Area H	II	8
	III	89
	IV	3
Area I	II	29
	III	69
	IV	2

3.9 Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

On June 1, 2011, the Secretary of the Department of the Interior issued a memorandum to the BLM Director that in part affirms BLM's obligations relating to wilderness characteristics under Sections 201 and 202 of the Federal Land Management Policy Act. The BLM released Manuals 6310 and 6320 in March 2012, which provide direction on how to conduct and maintain wilderness characteristics inventories and provides guidance on how to consider whether to update a wilderness characteristics inventory.

The primary function of an inventory is to determine the presence or absence of wilderness characteristics. An area having wilderness characteristics is defined by:

- Size - at least 5,000 acres of contiguous, roadless federal land,
- Naturalness, and
- Outstanding opportunities for solitude or primitive and unconfined types of recreation.
- The area may also contain supplemental values (ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational, scenic, or historical values).

The Nevada BLM completed the original wilderness review in 1979, and issued an initial wilderness inventory decision in 1980. At that time, the inventory found wilderness character present in one unit. It was designated as Goshute Canyon WSA in 1980. Portions of which became the Goshute Canyon Wilderness in 2006.

In 2011, the Ely District Office BLM began updating the lands with wilderness characteristics (LWC) inventory on a project-by-project basis until there is a land use plan revision. The project area has had an inventory update. Of the 216 proposed Oil & Gas lease parcels, 25 overlap 9 units of lands with wilderness characteristics. Of this, three (3) of the units were found to possess

wilderness characteristics on their own merits. The remaining six (6) inherited the outstanding opportunities of the adjacent wilderness (Goshute Canyon, South Egan Range and Far South Egan's Wildernesses). **There has not been a land use plan amendment to determine if or how these LWC units would be preserved to protect the wilderness characteristics.** The following LWC units cover a total of 18,133 acres. These units lie within parcel areas C, D, H and I.

Table 3.10 Units containing LWC which overlap oil and gas parcels

LWC Unit Number	Acres	Natural	Solitude	Recreation	Supplemental Value	LWC present?
NV-040-243-3-2013	72228	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
NV-040-009-2011	22358	Yes	Yes	Yes	Archaeological cultural	Yes
NV-040-004-1-2011	25461	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
NV-040-172-2012	19992	Yes	Yes	Yes	cultural values likely	Yes*
NV-040-015-2-2011	706	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes*
NV-040-172-2-2013	11648	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes*
NV-040-015A-9-2012	4693	Yes	Yes	Yes	n/a	Yes*
NV-040-015A-2a-2012	8003	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes*
NV-040-015A-8-2012	507	Yes	Yes	Yes	n/a	Yes*

*this unit possesses wilderness characteristics based on the adjacent designated wilderness

Chapter 4 Environmental Effects:

4.1 Introduction:

Approximately 4 million acres presently are available for oil and gas leasing in contrast to approximately 10 million acres in the Ely 2008 RMP area. Therefore, it is expected that only 40 percent (3,400 acres) of the 8,400 acres estimated in the reasonably foreseeable development scenario for oil and gas would be disturbed.

Approximately 8,400 acres, as estimated in the reasonably foreseeable development scenario would be disturbed by oil and gas exploration activities. Oil exploration and production activities involve the potential for soil compaction, erosion, excavation, and losses of soil quality in these areas. The effects of surface disturbance on soils vary based on soil type, texture, moisture content, depth, and slope. Vegetation removal for roads and well pad construction can alter existing drainage patterns and contribute to accelerated gully and rill erosion, especially on steeper slopes. Soil compaction would be expected on areas utilized by heavy equipment for oil and gas exploration, development, and production. Compaction typically is greatest when soil moisture is high and where heavy equipment activities are concentrated. Soil compaction reduces vegetation productivity because it decreases root penetration and water infiltration.

Within the State of Nevada, a Memorandum of Understanding for exploration and mining reclamation exists between the BLM and the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection.

Reclamation permits are supported by site-specific reclamation plans which are submitted and maintained according to an agency review and approval process. If approved, a permit defines post-project land uses, growth media salvage and replacement, seedbed amendments and erosion controls, site drainage, public safety provisions, roads, recontouring and revegetation practices, post-treatment monitoring, and other site restoration considerations according to best management practices. As a result, and given the comparatively small extent of mineral exploration and extraction acreage in the Assessment Area, the effects of these activities on soil resources are expected to be minimal.

These impacts would be mitigated through the use of management actions and best management practices and other conditions of approval imposed during the permitting process on a specific site-by-site basis.

4.2 Cultural Resources Environmental Effects:

4.2.1 Proposed Action Effects on Cultural Resources:

A records search was conducted to identify cultural resources that have special interest or importance to the general public, such as national or state historic monuments and public interpretation sites were present in the nominated lease parcels. The records show that several parcels intersect or are in close proximity to the Lincoln Highway historic roadway. Particular segments of the Lincoln Highway have been determined eligible to the National Register of Historic Places, while other segments have yet to be evaluated for the Register. Per the stipulations set forth in the Ely District RMP (2009), all lease development within one mile of the centerline of the Lincoln Highway route must include a visual resources analysis as part of the location specific NEPA analysis.

The lease of oil and gas parcels does not entail ground-disturbing activities as part of the undertaking. Furthermore, all subsequent activities on leased parcels shall be subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and further NEPA study. Therefore, this undertaking will not result in impacts to cultural resources in and of itself; however, ground disturbance from lease development may result in substantial impacts to cultural resources. Lands within this lease contain areas of known high potential for cultural resources. The lease parcels may also contain historic properties, traditional cultural properties (TCP), and/or sacred sites currently unknown to the Bureau of Land Management that were not identified during the lease parcel review process. Mitigation measures may be required to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects to historic properties and TCPs. The costs of these mitigation measures will be borne by the lessee. The Bureau of Land Management may disapprove proposed exploration and/or development activities that are likely to adversely affect historic properties, TCPs, or sacred sites for which no mitigation measures are possible. Any party proposing oil and gas exploration or development on leased parcels shall be responsible for all costs related to conducting Section 106 of the NHPA. The successful lease of a parcel does not guarantee the feasibility of future oil and gas exploration or development because of those costs.

4.2.2 No Action Alternative Effects on Cultural Resources:

The No Action Alternative would not impact cultural resources in the area. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.2.3 Proposed Action Effects on Heritage Special Designations (Historic Trails, ACEC's designated for Cultural Resources):

Lease parcels along the Pony Express National Historic Trail may contain areas of known high potential for cultural resources. Properties known at the time of lease announcement that are listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places will be avoided, where possible, by means of lease exclusions or by limits on surface use. The preferred avoidance option is to exclude areas containing National Register of Historic Places eligible sites from leasing and all forms of surface disturbance. Cultural sites not avoided may require consultation with State Historic Preservation Officer and treatment plans. Per the stipulations present in Nevada Instruction Memorandum No. NV-2004-004, a visual resources analysis up to five miles from the Pony Express centerline may be required as part of the NEPA analysis for lease parcel development.

4.2.4 No Action Alternative Effects on Heritage Special Designations (Historic Trails, ACEC's designated for Cultural Resources):

The No action Alternative would not impact the Pony Express Trail. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.3 Fish and Wildlife Environmental Effects:

4.3.1 Proposed Action Effects on Fish and Wildlife:

There would be no direct effects from issuing new oil and gas leases because leasing does not directly authorize oil and gas exploration and development activities. Direct impacts from these activities would be analyzed under a separate site-specific NEPA Analysis.

Oil and gas exploration and production activities have the potential to affect wildlife in the following ways:

- Temporary disturbance, displacement, or mortality of wildlife could result from exploration and development.
- Long-term habitat loss and habitat fragmentation could result from exploration or development, as well as, permanent loss of habitat due to unreclaimed or unsuccessfully reclaimed sites. Reclamation, especially in low elevation and low precipitation sites, is difficult even with the best techniques and equipment and the potential for failure is high.
- The potential of groundwater contamination from spills or evaporation pond runoff and/or overflow could change the water chemistry at springs, altering aquatic habitat. This could possibly alter survivorship and reproduction of aquatic species; however it is believed the contamination of groundwater is highly unlikely to occur.
- Pumping of groundwater in the general vicinity of springs could possibly cause dewatering of riparian areas. This could additionally alter the survivorship and reproduction of aquatic species; however it is believed that the amount of water necessary for drilling would not affect neighboring springs.

4.3.2 No Action Alternative Effects on Fish and Wildlife:

The No Action Alternative would not impact fish and wildlife. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.3.3 Proposed Action Effects on Special Status plant and animal species other than those listed as Threatened or Endangered:

There would be no direct effects from issuing new oil and gas leases because leasing does not directly authorize oil and gas exploration and development activities. Direct impacts from these activities would be analyzed under a separate site-specific NEPA analysis.

Effects to Special Status plant and animal species if drilling were to occur would be similar as outlined for fish and wildlife above. However, stipulations in the RMP are designed to help minimize potential effects to some Sensitive Species, such as the greater sage-grouse and raptor species, such as the ferruginous hawk. Site-specific analysis will be required for any APD resulting from the proposed leasing action, including surveys for species such as the pygmy

rabbit. Additionally, a site-specific NEPA analysis would include mitigation measures to minimize effects on such species.

4.3.4 No Action Alternative Effects on Special Status plant and animal species other than those listed as Threatened or Endangered:

There would be no change to special status species under the no action alternative as the proposed oil and gas lease parcels would be withdrawn from the lease sale. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.3.5 Proposed Action Effects on FWS Listed or Proposed for Listing Threatened, Endangered, or Critical Habitat

There would be no direct effects from issuing new oil and gas leases because leasing does not directly authorize oil and gas exploration and development activities. Direct impacts from these activities would be analyzed under a separate site-specific NEPA analysis.

Pumping of groundwater in the general vicinity of Flag Springs could possibly alter the quantity and quality of spring water affecting survivorship and reproduction of the White River spine dace. Water diversion is identified as a major threat to this endangered species in its Recovery Plan (USFWS 1994).

If drilling were to occur within the vicinity of listed species habitat, it would be subject to Section 7 Consultation under the Endangered Species Act with the level of consultation to be determined based upon the project site specific proposed action. Consultation would be completed prior to a decision being signed for any specific action which may have an effect on a listed species.

4.3.6 No Action Alternative Effects on FWS Listed or Proposed for Listing Threatened, Endangered, or Critical Habitat

There would be no effects to the White River spinedace, as no leases would be issued for the parcels covered in this document. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.4 Environmental Justice Environmental Effects:

4.4.1 Proposed Action Effects on Environmental Justice:

There are no known disadvantaged populations that would be affected by the proposed action. However, the lease parcels that overlap private property could potentially have an impact on the character, usage, or integrity of the private land due to the surface occupancy associated with energy development. In addition to the approximate five acres of development per well, there would also be greater activity from construction and operation of the facility, potential residency of maintenance staff, and the opportunity cost of lost use of the developed area. Due to the

regulations of the split-estate arrangement, the landowner has little control over allowing the use on their land, but can negotiate with the operator to determine parameters of development.

4.4.2 No Action Alternative Effects on Environmental Justice:

The No Action Alternative would have no impact on Environmental Justice. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.5 Socioeconomics Environmental Effects:

4.5.1 Proposed Action Effects on Socioeconomics:

A direct effect of issuing new oil and gas leases on socioeconomics within the Assessment Area would be the generation of revenue from the sale of the leases. The State of Nevada would receive 49 percent of the proceeds from the initial sale of each lease parcel.

Subsequent oil and gas exploration, development, and production could create additional impacts. During the exploration phase, oil and gas companies typically provide in-house scientists and technicians to do the majority of the work. After initial surveys have been completed, road building, drill pad, and other construction and reclamation activities could occur as a result of oil and gas exploration and development activities. Much of this work could be contracted to local contractors, producing a potential economic impact to the local area through additional jobs, income, and added demand for additional services.

4.5.2 No Action Alternative Effects on Socioeconomics:

The No Action Alternative would not impact the current socioeconomic climate in the area. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.6 Visual Resource Management Environmental Effects:

4.6.1 Proposed Action Effects on Visual Resource Management:

The actual sale of the lease parcels would not impact visual resources, though the development of the lease parcels may impact visual resources. When a lease parcel is developed, all facilities associated with the plan of development (POD) must meet the VRM objectives for each classification. The objective of each VRM class will determine the level of modification that will need to take place for the development of the lease. Modifications to decrease visual contrast may include, painting of facilities, site modification such as berms, etc. When a POD is submitted for a lease parcel, a site-specific visual contrast rating would be conducted. The contrast rating will identify what types of mitigation may be needed to minimize visual contrast so that the POD can meet the VRM objectives identified with the classification of the area where the lease is located.

4.6.2 No Action Alternative Effects on Visual Resource Management:

The No Action Alternative would not impact the current visual resources in the area. Activities on current leased parcels adjacent to the proposed parcels would still be permitted.

4.8 Lands with Wilderness Characteristics Environmental Effects:

4.8.1 No Action Alternative Effects on Lands with Wilderness Characteristics:

The proposed action to authorize oil and gas leasing would impact, and potentially eliminate, wilderness character in the nine units, when and if exploration and production activities occur.

Short-term (5-10 years) disturbances would have a dramatic and negative effect on the LWC units by reducing and possibly eliminating the wilderness character. Depending on the location and density of exploration wells, the LWC units may be reduced to areas of less than 5,000 acres; naturalness would be eliminated across portions of the units; and opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation may be eliminated.

If exploration wells are plugged and abandoned, they would be reclaimed immediately after drilling or construction. Therefore, in the long term, it is possible that all disturbances would be reclaimed allowing the area to return to a natural state; and opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation would return. Impacts to size may also be reclaimed after exploration, but depending on the extent of wells and associated facilities (roads, gravel pits, etc.) impacts may remain that could continue to eliminate LWCs based on size.

For any producing wells, the impacts would be long term (20 years) or much longer. At that point, the impacts to LWC would be considered permanent.

4.8.2 No Action Alternative Effects on:

Under the No Action Alternative, all expressions of interest to lease would be denied or rejected. Therefore, there would be no human-caused alterations to the existing landscape and there would be no impacts to the wilderness characteristics.

Chapter 5 Cumulative Impacts Analysis:

5.1 Past Actions:

The Ely District is rich in natural resources and the Assessment Area has been used for a wide array of activities over the years. Mining, ranching, grazing, hunting, recreation, and oil exploration have been conducted throughout the District and more than likely, will continue for many more years. While more than 200 wells have been drilled in the Ely District so far, only two are in production.

5.2 Present Actions:

Mining, ranching, grazing, hunting, recreation, and oil exploration are being conducted throughout the District and more than likely, will continue for many more years.

5.3 Reasonable Foreseeable Future Actions (RFFA's):

There are many new projects coming to rural Nevada, especially around Ely. Several wind development projects, solar projects, transmission lines, and a massive water pipeline are scheduled to begin development over the next several years. Due to the current prices of gold and oil, the potential for much more exploration for each of these commodities may be experienced in the Ely District in the very near future.

The proposed action does not include exploration, development, production, or final reclamation of oil and gas resources; however, authorization of oil and gas leasing does convey a right to subsequent exploration and production activities. Even though these later activities can be associated with oil and gas leasing, they would be analyzed in a separate, site-specific NEPA document, once an application to drill or notice of intent is received.

The Ely RMP suggests that a total of 448 wells would be drilled resulting in total short-term (5 to 10 years) disturbance of approximately 8,400 acres and a long-term (about 20 years for producing wells) disturbance of approximately 1,400 acres. It also suggests that a new field discovery similar in size and surface disturbance to the Trap Springs and Kate Springs oil fields within Railroad Valley could be made over the next several years. Short-term disturbance as defined for the reasonably foreseeable development scenario includes locations for wells in the plugged and abandoned category that would be reclaimed immediately after drilling or construction.

Railroad Valley, Lake Valley, White River Valley, and Long Valley seem to be the focus of future exploration in the Ely District. Several APDs are expected from these areas over the next few years.

5.4 Cumulative Impacts from Past, Present, and Reasonably Foreseeable Future Actions:

5.4.1 Cultural Resources Cumulative Impacts:

Cultural resources include, but are not limited to, historic cemeteries and townsites, rockshelters, caves, rock art, and Paleo-Indian sites. The primary impact mechanisms that could affect cultural resources within the district include off-highway vehicle and recreational use, minerals development, land disposal, fire, special designations, and livestock grazing. Some of these mechanisms would have a negative impact on cultural resources, which would be mitigated

through project abandonment, redesign, and, if necessary, data recovery. However, some of these mechanisms may have a positive or beneficial impact on cultural resources, such as protection under an ACEC designation.

Any program, activity, or project has an effect on a cultural resource if it alters any of the characteristics or criteria that may qualify the resource for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places or otherwise affects a cultural property's legally protected status. Impacts to cultural properties are considered adverse if the effect diminishes the integrity of the property's location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, or association. Negative or adverse effects can include, but are not limited to: physical destruction of or damage to all or part of a property; alteration of a property (e.g., restoration, rehabilitation, stabilization); removal of a property from its historic location; or, transfer, lease, or sale of property out of federal ownership or control without adequate and legally enforceable restrictions or conditions to ensure long-term preservation (Ely FEIS 2007).

Avoidance is the preferred measure of mitigation in order to preserve and protect the resource.

5.4.2 Fish and Wildlife Cumulative Impacts:

All wildlife species have preferred habitats, some of which may be seasonal. Many disturbances, both natural and human caused may result in wildlife moving to less optimal habitats, which may already be at carrying capacity. This could result in reductions in population sizes due to less successful reproduction or direct mortality. Species dependent on very restricted habitats may be especially affected. A number of ongoing and future activities combined could result in loss of specific habitats, fragmentation and disruption of movement patterns. The stipulations required through the RMP or those determined to be needed on a site-specific basis will help to minimize impacts from these activities.

5.4.2.1 Sensitive Species Cumulative Impacts:

The combination of past, present and future activities could cumulatively impact Sensitive Plant or Animal Species. These impacts could result in loss of habitats, which may uniquely support some species, may fragment habitats resulting in reductions in reproductive success of some species, or may have direct adverse effects on individuals in populations, which are small to begin with. Mitigation requirements for projects may help to reduce impacts to the extent that they do not reach the level of causing species to require listing as Threatened or Endangered.

5.4.2.2 Federally Threatened or Endangered Cumulative Impacts:

The combination of past, present and future activities could cumulatively impact the White River spine dace. The Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project EIS and accompanying Biological Opinion, is a future action that has fully evaluated the environmental effects of groundwater withdrawal to Flag Springs and the White River spinedace. These impacts could result in loss of aquatic habitat, resulting in reductions in reproductive success or may have direct adverse effects on individuals in populations, which are small to

begin with. Any future actions in listed species habitat would be subject to Section 7 Consultation under the Endangered Species Act with the level of consultation to be determined based upon the project site specific proposed action. Consultation would be completed prior to a decision being signed for any specific action which may have an effect on a listed species.

5.4.3 Environmental Justice Cumulative Impacts:

There are no cumulative effects related to environmental justice resulting from the proposed action. However, if exploration and development of these leases occurs at some point in the future, there may be cumulative impacts on leases with split estates. Prior to any exploration or development, additional site-specific NEPA review would be required.

5.4.4 Socioeconomics Cumulative Impacts:

If other construction projects were to occur at the same time as any future exploration or development activities related to these leases, the direct and indirect economic impacts to the local area could be magnified. There are no cumulative impacts expected to result directly from the proposed action.

5.4.5 Visual Resource Management Cumulative Impacts:

Since there are no ground disturbing activities associated with lease sales, no cumulative impacts are expected to result directly from the proposed action.

5.4.6 Lands with Wilderness Characteristics Cumulative Impacts:

There are no cumulative impacts expected to result directly from the proposed action since the proposed action does not include any surface disturbance. However, it does authorize the right to future exploration and production activities. At the time the lease parcels are sold and exploration and development takes place, then potential impacts would be discussed in a site-specific NEPA process.

5.4.7 Summary of Cumulative Impacts:

Since there isn't any surface disturbance associated with the proposed action, it is very unlikely that there would be any impacts to the resources within the Ely District, except for maybe a positive cash flow to the State by the sale of the parcels. The state receives 49% of the proceeds from the sale of parcels.

Typically, the Ely District sells only a fraction of the nominated parcels each year. Of the parcels that are sold, most never submit an APD to explore for oil on their parcels during the 10 years they hold the lease. The Ely District only processes an average of 2–3 APDs a year. A site-specific NEPA analysis would be written for each APD submitted to analyze any issues associated with drilling activities and be available for public comment.

The State of Nevada is unique from other oil lease states in that the majority of lands are public and available for leasing. Only a small percentage of lands leased are ever explored or developed. Therefore, it is unlikely that large-scale oil and gas development will occur, unless a major oil reserve is discovered.

Chapter 6 Tribes, Individuals, Organizations, or Agencies Consulted:

Table 6.1 List of Persons, Agencies and Organizations Consulted

NAME	Purpose & Authorities for Consultation or Coordination	Findings & Conclusions
Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Indian Reservation	Native American Consultation	Comments received
Nevada Department of Wildlife	Consultation and input	Comments received
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe	Native American Consultation	No comments received
Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah	Native American Consultation	No comments received
Ely Shoshone Tribe	Native American Consultation	No comments received
Te-Moak Tribes of the Western Shoshone Tribes of Nevada	Native American Consultation	No comments received
Yomba Shoshone Tribe	Native American Consultation	No comments received

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Table 7.1

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APPENDIX A- December 2013 SALE PRELIMINARY PARCEL LIST

NV-13-12-001 1941.930 Acres

T.0220N, R.0560E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 SENW,NESW;
 003
 S2SWNW,N2SW,SESW,W2SE;
 004 SW,N2SE,SWSE;
 005 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
 005 S2NW;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1,2;
 006 S2NE;
 008 ALL;
 009 NWNE,W2,SWSE;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-002 1910.600 Acres

T.0220N, R.0560E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 017 ALL;
 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
 020 ALL;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-003 2302.800 Acres

T.0220N, R.0560E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 029 ALL;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2,E2W2;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 032 N2NE,W2;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-004 1280.000 Acres

T.0010N, R.0570E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 012 ALL;
 013 ALL;

Lincoln County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91466
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-005 710.160 Acres

T.0140N, R.0570E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-12;
 031 E2;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90160
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-006 1920.280 Acres

T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2,S2;
 002 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 002 S2N2,S2;
 012 ALL;

Lincoln County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91465
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-007 1919.640 Acres

T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 003 S2N2,S2;
 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2,S2;
 010 ALL;

Lincoln County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91466
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-008 2554.870 Acres

T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SENW,E2SW,SE;
 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 008 ALL;

Lincoln County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91466
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-009 1920.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 009 ALL;
 015 ALL;
 016 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91466
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-010 1920.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 011 ALL;
 013 ALL;
 014 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91465
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-011 1282.670 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 ALL;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91466
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-012 1921.120 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
 020 ALL;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2,E2W2;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91467
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-013 2560.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 ALL;
 022 ALL;
 027 ALL;
 028 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91467
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-014 1840.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 023 ALL;
 024 E2,E2NW,SW;
 025 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91465
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-015 1920.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 026 ALL;
 035 ALL;
 036 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91467
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-016 1921.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 032 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91467
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-017 1280.000 Acres
T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 033 ALL;
 034 ALL;

Lincoln County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91467
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-018 2160.000 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 013 SW,S2SE;

023 ALL;
024 ALL;
026 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91463
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-019 1920.000 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 016 ALL;
021 ALL;
022 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91464
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-020 2553.140 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 ALL;
018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
018 E2,E2W2;
019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
019 E2,E2W2;
020 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91464
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-021 2560.000 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 025 ALL;
034 ALL;
035 ALL;
036 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91463
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-022 1920.000 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 ALL;
028 ALL;

033 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91464
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-023 2554.880 Acres
T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2,E2W2;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;
032 ALL;
Lincoln County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91464
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-024 1918.440 Acres
T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
001 S2N2,S2;
012 ALL;
013 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91476
PGH
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-025 2556.280 Acres
T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 002 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
002 S2N2,S2;
003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
003 S2N2,S2;
010 ALL;
011 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91477
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-026 2553.240 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2,S2;
 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SW,E2SW,SE;
 009 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91477
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-027 2543.400 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 008 ALL;
 017 ALL;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91477
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-028 1920.000 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 014 ALL;
 015 ALL;
 016 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91477
 PGH
 PLO 7653 CALIENT CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-029 1601.180 Acres
 T.0020N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 003 S2N2;
 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2,S2;
 009 ALL;
 Nye and Lincoln Counties
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91479

PLO 7653 CALIENT CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-030 2239.670 Acres
 T.0020N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SW,E2SW,SE;
 007 E2;
 008 ALL;
 Nye and Lincoln Counties
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91479
 PLO 7653 CALIENT CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-031 1922.720 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2,S2;
 002 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 002 S2N2,S2;
 012 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91478
 PGH
 PLO 7653 CALIENT CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-032 2559.840 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 003 S2N2,S2;
 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2,S2;
 009 ALL;
 010 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91478
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-033 1901.660 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;

006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
006 S2NE, SENW, E2SW, SE;
007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
007 E2, E2W2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91476
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-034 1914.680 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 ALL;
017 ALL;
018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
018 E2, E2W2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91476
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-035 1920.000 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 011 ALL;
013 ALL;
014 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91478
PGH
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-036 1280.000 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 015 ALL;
016 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91478
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-037 2558.980 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
019 E2, E2W2;
020 ALL;

029 ALL;
030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2, E2W2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91479
PGH
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-038 1760.000 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 E2, N2NW, S2SW;
028 ALL;
033 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91479
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-039 2560.000 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 022 ALL;
023 ALL;
024 ALL;
027 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91824
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-040 2560.000 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 025 ALL;
026 ALL;
034 ALL;
035 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91824
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-041 1281.360 Acres
T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2, E2W2;

032 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91479
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-042 1996.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 PROT ALL;
002 PROT ALL;
003 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91474
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-043 1920.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 004 PROT ALL;
009 PROT ALL;
016 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91473
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-044 2560.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 PROT ALL;
006 PROT ALL;
007 PROT ALL;
008 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91473
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-045 1995.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 010 PROT ALL;
011 PROT ALL;
012 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91474
PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-046 1994.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 013 PROT ALL;
014 PROT ALL;
015 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91474
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-047 2560.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 PROT ALL;
018 PROT ALL;
019 PROT ALL;
020 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91473
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-048 1920.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 PROT ALL;
027 PROT ALL;
028 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91474
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-049 1994.000 Acres
T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 022 PROT ALL;
023 PROT ALL;
024 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91474
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-050 1353.000 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 PROT ALL;
 026 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91475

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-051 1922.000 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 029 PROT ALL;
 030 PROT ALL;
 031 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91476

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-052 2002.000 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 032 PROT ALL;
 033 PROT ALL;
 034 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91476

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-053 1879.000 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 035 PROT ALL;
 036 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91475

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-054 1697.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 PROT ALL;
 002 PROT ALL;
 003 PROT ALL;
 010 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91470
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-055 1966.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 004 PROT ALL;
 005 PROT ALL;
 008 PROT ALL;
 009 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91470

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-056 986.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 006 PROT ALL;
 007 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91470

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-057 2083.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 011 PROT ALL;
 012 PROT ALL;
 013 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91471

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-058 2000.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 014 PROT ALL;
 023 PROT ALL;
 024 PROT ALL;

Nye County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91471

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-059 2560.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 015 PROT ALL;
 016 PROT ALL;
 021 PROT ALL;
 022 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91470
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-060 2560.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 017 PROT ALL;
 018 PROT ALL;
 019 PROT ALL;
 020 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91470
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-061 1358.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 PROT ALL;
 026 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-062 2560.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 027 PROT ALL;
 028 PROT ALL;
 033 PROT ALL;
 034 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-063 2560.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 029 PROT ALL;
 030 PROT ALL;
 031 PROT ALL;
 032 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91473
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-064 1357.000 Acres
 T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 035 PROT ALL;
 036 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-065 1339.640 Acres
 T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
 020 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91468
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-066 2480.000 Acres
 T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 021 ALL;
 022 N2,SW,S2SE;
 027 ALL;
 028 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91468
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-067 2440.000 Acres
 T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 023 N2,S2S2,NESE;
 024 ALL;

025 ALL;
026 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91468
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-068 1920.000 Acres
T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
032 ALL;
033 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91468
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-069 1402.800 Acres
T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2,E2W2;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91468
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-070 1920.000 Acres
T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 034 ALL;
035 ALL;
036 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91469
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-071 160.000 Acres
T.0190N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 020 S2S2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-072 2557.360 Acres
T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
003 S2N2,S2;
004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
004 S2N2,S2;
009 ALL;
010 ALL;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-073 2160.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 E2;
015 ALL;
016 ALL;
017 E2,E2NW,SW;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-074 2200.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 013 ALL;
014 ALL;
023 ALL;
024 NW,N2SW,SWSW;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-075 2120.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 SENE,SE;
020 ALL;
021 ALL;
022 ALL;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-076 2080.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 026 W2E2,W2;
 027 ALL;
 034 ALL;
 035 W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-077 2480.000 Acres
 T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 028 E2,W2NW,SW;
 029 ALL;
 032 ALL;
 033 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 SPLIT ESTATE 970474
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-078 1085.640 Acres
 T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 030 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
 030 E2,E2SW;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-079 1920.000 Acres
 T.0260N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 022 ALL;
 023 ALL;
 024 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-080 2560.000 Acres
 T.0260N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 033 ALL;
 034 ALL;
 035 ALL;
 036 ALL;
 White Pine County

Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-081 1937.000 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 PROT ALL;
 006 PROT ALL;
 007 PROT ALL;
 008 PROT ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91478
 PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-082 872.000 Acres
 T.0030N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 030 PROT ALL;
 031 PROT N2NE,NW;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91824
 PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-083 1264.290 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SENW,E2SW,SE;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-084 2531.960 Acres
 T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 008 ALL;
 017 ALL;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91475

PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-085 1267.940 Acres
T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
019 E2,E2W2;
020 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91475
PGH
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-086 2539.520 Acres
T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2,E2W2;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;
032 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91475
PGH
PLO 7653 CALIENTE CORRIDOR
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-087 1915.590 Acres
T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
004 S2N2,S2;
005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
005 S2N2,S2;
006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
006 S2NE,SE,SW,E2SW,SE;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91471
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-088 1905.380 Acres
T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
007 E2,E2W2;
008 ALL;

009 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91471
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-089 1890.080 Acres
T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 ALL;
018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
018 E2,E2W2;
019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
019 E2,E2W2;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91471
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-090 1920.000 Acres
T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 020 ALL;
029 ALL;
032 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-091 1243.700 Acres
T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2,E2W2;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91472
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-092 1921.260 Acres
T.0060N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
019 E2,E2W2;
020 ALL;
021 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91469
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-093 1761.200 Acres
T.0060N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 028 ALL;
 029 ALL;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1 & 2;
 030 E2,E2NW;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN 91469
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-094 1920.640 Acres
T.0060N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 032 ALL;
 033 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91469
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-095 1980.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 PROT ALL;
 002 PROT ALL;
 003 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91456
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-096 1940.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 004 PROT ALL;
 009 PROT ALL;
 016 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91456
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-097 1379.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 PROT ALL;
 006 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91455
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-098 1977.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 007 PROT ALL;
 008 PROT ALL;
 017 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91456
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-099 1920.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 010 PROT ALL;
 014 PROT ALL;
 015 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91456
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-100 1920.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 011 PROT ALL;
 012 PROT ALL;
 013 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91456
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-101 2033.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 018 PROT ALL;
 019 PROT ALL;
 020 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91457
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-102 2560.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 PROT ALL;
 022 PROT ALL;
 023 PROT ALL;
 024 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91457
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-103 1269.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 PROT ALL;
 034 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91457
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-104 1907.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 028 PROT ALL;
 032 PROT ALL;
 033 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91457
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-105 2031.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 PROT ALL;
 030 PROT ALL;
 031 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91457
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-106 2045.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 PROT ALL;
 006 PROT ALL;
 007 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91454
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-107 2560.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 PROT ALL;
 009 PROT ALL;
 010 PROT ALL;
 011 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91454
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-108 1973.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 016 PROT ALL;
 017 PROT ALL;
 018 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91454
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-109 1335.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 PROT ALL;
 020 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91454
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-110 1920.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 PROT ALL;
 022 PROT ALL;
 023 PROT ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91454
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-111 1920.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 024 PROT ALL;
 025 PROT ALL;
 036 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91455
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-112 2560.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 026 PROT ALL;
 027 PROT ALL;
 034 PROT ALL;
 035 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91455
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-113 1920.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 028 PROT ALL;
 032 PROT ALL;
 033 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91455
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-114 2033.000 Acres
T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 PROT ALL;
 030 PROT ALL;
 031 PROT ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91455
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-115 200.000 Acres
T.0170N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 014 NESW,S2SW;
 023 N2NW;
White Pine County

Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-116 200.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 015 SWNE,NW,NWSE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-117 1735.040 Acres
T.0250N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SW,SE;
 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 008 NWNW;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 NENE,W2NE,E2W2,NWSE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-118 2399.860 Acres
T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2,S2;
 012 ALL;
 013 N2NE,W2,E2SE;
 014 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PLO 3441 SUNNYSIDE WMA
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-119 1840.180 Acres
T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 002 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
 002 SWNW;
 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 003 S2NE,SE,SW,S2;
 004 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
 004 S2NW,S2;
 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;

Nye County
Ely DO

PGH
PLO 3441 SUNNYSIDE WMA
Formerly Lease No.

Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-120 1730.000 Acres
T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 023 W2;
026 SWSWNW, SENW, SW;
026
E2, N2NW, E2SWNW, S2NWSWNW;
027 N2NE, SWNE, N2NESENE;
027 S2NWSWNW, SWSWNW, S2;
027
W2SENE, S2SESENE, E2NW;
027 E2W2NW, NWNWNW;
028 SE;
Nye County
Ely DO
PLO 7026
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-121 2080.000 Acres
T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 032 SE;
033 ALL;
034 ALL;
035 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-122 1202.360 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
003 S2N2, SW, W2SE;
004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
004 S2N2, S2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91460
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-123 1920.880 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
005 S2N2, S2;
008 ALL;
009 ALL;
Nye County

NV-13-12-124 1680.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 010 ALL;
015 ALL;
022 W2E2, NW, E2SW;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-125 2480.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 016 ALL;
017 ALL;
020 ALL;
021 N2, SW, W2SE;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-126 160.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 021 E2SE;
022 W2SW;
Nye County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-127 440.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 022 E2E2;
027 E2E2;
034 E2NE, NESE;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
N88107 WHITE RIVER VALLEY ACEC
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-128 2280.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 W2E2, W2;

028 ALL;
033 ALL;
034 W2E2,W2,SESE;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-129 1280.000 Acres
T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
032 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91462
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-130 1520.040 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1;
001 SENE,E2SE;
012 E2;
013 NE,S2NW,S2;
014 S2N2,S2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91461
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-131 2321.640 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 2,3,4;
001 SWNE,S2NW,SW,W2SE;
002 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
002 S2N2,S2;
011 ALL;
012 W2;
013 N2NW;
014 N2N2;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91461
N88107 WHITE RIVER VALLEY ACEC
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-132 2521.780 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
003 S2N2,S2;

004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
004 S2N2,S2;
005 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4;
005 S2N2,S2;
008 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91459
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-133 1280.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 009 ALL;
010 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91461
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-134 2560.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 015 ALL;
016 ALL;
017 ALL;
022 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91460
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-135 1920.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 023 ALL;
026 ALL;
027 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91460
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-136 1920.000 Acres
T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 024 ALL;
025 ALL;
036 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91460
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-137 2240.000 Acres
 T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 028 S2;
 032 ALL;
 033 ALL;
 034 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91460
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-141 2560.000 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 009 ALL;
 016 ALL;
 017 ALL;
 020 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91458
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-138 2440.000 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 S2N2, S2;
 002 S2NE, SENW, E2SW, SE;
 011 E2, E2NW;
 012 ALL;
 013 N2, E2SW, SE;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91458
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-142 2240.000 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 021 ALL;
 022 ALL;
 023 S2SE;
 023
 SENE, NENW, W2W2, SESW, NESE;
 024 N2, SW, W2SE;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91459
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-139 2559.700 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 2, 3, 4;
 003 S2N2, S2;
 010 ALL;
 011 W2SW;
 014 N2, SW, N2SE, SWSE;
 015 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91458
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-143 2560.000 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 ALL;
 026 ALL;
 035 ALL;
 036 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91461
 N88107 WHITE RIVER VALLEY ACEC
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-140 1921.400 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2, S2;
 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2, S2;
 008 ALL;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91458
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-144 2547.720 Acres
 T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 027 ALL;
 028 ALL;
 029 ALL;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2, E2W2;
 Nye County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91459
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-145 2349.020 Acres
T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 032 N2NE,W2,SESE;
 033 ALL;
 034 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN91459
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-146 560.000 Acres
T.0110N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 N2,SW,S2SE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
NVN88107 WHITE RIVER VALLEY ACEC
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-147 1120.000 Acres
T.0120N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 024 W2NE,S2NW,S2;
 025 ALL;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-148 1320.000 Acres
T.0160N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 012 N2NE,W2;
 013 SWNE,W2W2,NESW,NWSE;
 023 W2NE,NW,N2SW,SWSW;
 026 W2W2,SESW,S2SE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-149 320.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 031 PROT
SENW,SW,W2SE,SESE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-150 240.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 SW,W2SE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-151 2460.400 Acres
T.0060N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SENW,E2SW,SE;
 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;
 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
Nye County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-152 2556.950 Acres
T.0080N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 005 S2N2,S2;
 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SENW,E2SW,SE;
 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 007 E2,E2W2;
 008 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-153 2236.220 Acres
T.0080N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 ALL;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;
 019 E2;
 020 ALL;
Nye County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-154 2543.780 Acres
T.0080N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 ALL;
030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
030 E2,E2W2;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;
032 ALL;

Nye County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-155 1395.630 Acres
T.0090N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 030 LOTS LOTS 2-4;
030 SWNE,E2SW,SE;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2,E2W2;
032 NWNW,S2NW,SW,W2SE;

Nye County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-156 320.000 Acres
T.0100N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 018 E2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-157 2246.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 PROT ALL;
002 PROT ALL EXCL ME
PATENTS;
003 PROT E2W2 EXCL ME
PATENTS;
003 PROT E2 EXCL ME
PATENTS;
010 PROT N2,N2SW,SE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-158 2560.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 011 PROT ALL;
012 PROT ALL;
013 PROT ALL;
014 PROT ALL;

White Pine County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-159 1760.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 015 PROT E2;
022 PROT E2E2;
023 PROT ALL;
024 PROT ALL;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-160 2498.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 025 PROT ALL EXCL ME
PATENTS;
026 PROT ALL EXCL ME
PATENTS;
035 PROT ALL EXCL ME
PATENTS;
036 PROT ALL EXCL ME
PATENTS;
White Pine County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-161 800.000 Acres
T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 PROT E2;
034 PROT E2,E2W2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-162 1920.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 013 W2NW,NWSW;
023 NE,NENW;
024 SWNE,NWNW,S2NW,NWSW;

026 SWNE, S2NW, SW;
 027 SWSW, E2SW, SE;
 034 E2, E2W2, NWNW;
 035 W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-163 470.890 Acres
 T.0210N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 LOTS LOTS 2, 3, 5;
 025 W2SWNE, S2NW, W2SW;
 036 LOTS LOTS
 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12;
 036 LOTS LOTS 14;
 036 NWNW;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90274
 SPLIT ESTATE 27-70-0094
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-164 1910.990 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2, S2;
 002 LOTS LOTS 1, 2;
 002 S2NE, SE;
 011 LOTS LOTS 1, 3, 4, 6;
 011 NE, E2SE;
 012 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90271
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-165 1708.480 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 013 ALL;
 014 LOTS LOTS
 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 15;
 014 E2NE;
 023 LOTS LOTS
 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9;
 023 W2SE, SESE;
 024 LOTS LOTS 1, 3, 4, 6;
 024 N2, E2SW, SE;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90271

Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-166 816.610 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 LOTS LOTS 7, 9, 14, 16;
 025 E2, E2NW;
 036 LOTS LOTS
 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15;
 036 NE, E2SE;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90271
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-167 2117.490 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2, S2;
 002 LOTS LOTS 1, 3, 4;
 002 W2NESW, SE;
 002
 SENE, E2SWNE, S2NW, W2SW;
 011 E2;
 012 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90266
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-168 1950.000 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 013 SWNW, SW;
 014
 NE, E2NW, E2W2NW, SWSWNW, S2;
 015 E2SESE;
 015
 N2NE, SWNE, W2SENE, W2NESE;
 023 ALL;
 024 W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90266
 SPLIT ESTATE 27-79-0021
 Formerly Lease No.

 NV-13-12-169 1640.000 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 025 E2NE, SWNW, SE;
 026 E2, NW;

035 E2NE,SE;
036 ALL;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90266
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-170 1400.000 Acres
T.0240N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 014 SE;
023 W2E2,E2NW,SWNW,SW;
024 E2E2;
025 E2;
026 W2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90265
SPLIT ESTATE 27-79-0019
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-171 2021.360 Acres
T.0240N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 E2,E2SW;
034 N2,SE;
035 LOTS LOTS
4,6,8,9,11,13,14,16;
035 W2,SESE;
036 E2,E2NW,SWNW,SW;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90265
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-172 2236.990 Acres
T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
005 S2NS,S2;
006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
006 S2NE,SENE,E2SW,SE;
007 E2;
008 ALL;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90273
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-173 800.000 Acres
T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 017 N2,SE;
018 NE,E2W2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90273
MATERIAL SITE NEV067377
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-174 2078.900 Acres
T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
019 SESW,S2SE;
020 E2,S2SW;
028 S2NW;
029 E2,S2SW;
030 SESE;
031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
031 E2E2;
032 ALL;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90274
NVN88048 RMP
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-175 1897.370 Acres
T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
005 S2N2,S2;
006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
006 S2NE,SENE,E2SW,SE;
007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
007 E2,E2W2;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90767
MATERIAL SITE NEV 067376
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-176 1910.500 Acres
T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 008 ALL;
017 ALL;
018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
018 E2,E2W2;

White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90767
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-177 640.000 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 009 SW;
 016 N2,SW;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90767
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-178 1899.000 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2,E2W2;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90270
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-179 2160.000 Acres
 T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 020 ALL;
 028 W2NE,NW;
 029 ALL;
 032 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90270
 MATERIAL SITE NEV 067391
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-180 630.450 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;
 006 S2NE,SE,SW,E2SW,SE;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90267
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-181 2440.440 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2W2,SE;
 029 W2NW,SW;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2,E2W2;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 032 W2E2,W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90766
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-182 640.000 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 021 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90766
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-183 1919.200 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2,S2;
 012 ALL;
 013 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90262
 MATERIAL SITE NEV 02257
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-184 2240.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 002 S2;
 011 ALL;
 014 ALL;
 015 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90263
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-185 2558.820 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
 003 S2NW,SW;
 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 004 S2N2,S2;
 009 ALL;
 010 W2;
 016 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90263
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-186 1615.540 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS
 1,2,5,7,9,10,12,13;
 005 LOTS LOTS 15;
 005
 S2NE, SENW, E2SW, SWSW, SE;
 006 LOTS LOTS 8-12,14-
 19,21,22,24;
 007 LOTS LOTS 22,24-27;
 007 LOTS LOTS
 5,6,8,9,11,13-18,20;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90263
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-187 1904.780 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 008 ALL;
 017 ALL;
 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 018 E2,E2W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90263
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-188 1884.780 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 019 E2,E2W2;
 030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 030 E2,E2W2;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2,E2W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90264

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-189 2560.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 020 ALL;
 021 ALL;
 028 ALL;
 029 ALL;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90264
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-190 2560.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 022 ALL;
 023 ALL;
 026 ALL;
 027 ALL;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90264
 MATERIAL SITE CC22966
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-191 1200.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 024 N2,N2S2,S2SW,SESE;
 025 W2NE,SENE,NW,S2;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90262
 MATERIAL SITE CC22966
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-192 1200.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 034 E2,N2NW,SW;
 035 ALL;

White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90264
 MATERIAL SITE NEV02258
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-193 1793.750 Acres
T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1,2,7-10;
001 SE;
003 LOTS LOTS 4,5,12;
003 W2SW;
004 LOTS LOTS 9,11,12;
004

SW,E2SE,SESWSE;

008 ALL;

012 E2E2;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90260

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-194 1660.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 009

E2NE,E2NWNE,SWNWNE,SWNE;

009 E2E2SW,SE;

009

NWNENW,W2NW,W2SESW,W2SW;

010 W2W2;

015 W2W2;

016 E2,E2W2,W2W2NW;

017 NE,N2NW,SESW;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90260

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-195 1210.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 020

SWSWSE,NESESE,SWSESE;

020

E2NESE,S2NWSE,N2SWSE;

021 E2,SW;

028 ALL;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90259

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-196 440.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 025 SESE;

036 E2,E2SW;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90259

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-197 1360.000 Acres
T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 032

E2,SWNW,W2SESW,NESWSW;

032 SWSWSE;

033 ALL;

034 W2;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90259

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-198 800.000 Acres
T.0260N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 026

E2E2NW,NWNW,W2SWNW,E2SW;

026

W2NWSW,NWSWSW,SESWSW;

034

NESW,NWNESE,NWSE,E2SESE;

034

N2N2,SWNE,W2SENE,SESW;

035

E2NW,E2W2NW,SWSWNW,W2SW;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90258

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-199 1666.960 Acres
T.0240N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 3,4;

005 S2NW,SW;

006 LOTS LOTS 1-6;

006 S2NE,SE;

007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

007 E2;

008 W2;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90262

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-200 650.140 Acres

T.0240N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

018 NE,NWSE;

019 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

030 LOTS LOTS 1;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90262

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-201 1896.580 Acres

T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

003 S2;

004 S2S2;

009 ALL;

010

N2, SW, E2SE, N2NWSE, SENWSE;

010

N2SWNWSE, SESWNWSE, SWSE;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90261

PGH

SPLIT ESTATE

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-202 1534.360 Acres

T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 006 LOTS LOTS 1-5;

006 SE;

007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

007 E2;

008 ALL;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90261

PGH

SPLIT ESTATE

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-203 1440.000 Acres

T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 016 ALL;

021 N2, SW, N2SE, SWSE;

028 NENW, W2W2;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90261

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-204 2067.890 Acres

T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 017 ALL;

018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

018 E2;

019 LOTS LOTS 1;

019 NE, E2SE;

020 ALL;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90261

PGH

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-205 2210.560 Acres

T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 029 ALL;

030 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

030 E2;

031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;

031 E2;

032 N2, SW, W2SE;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90261

PGH

MATERIAL SITE NEV 02250

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-206 1280.000 Acres

T.0260N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 026 ALL;

027 E2;

035 E2;

White Pine County

Ely DO

PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90257

MATERIAL SITE CC018203

Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-207 1165.000 Acres

T.0260N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 029 W2;
 030 E2SESENE;
 031 E2;
 032 N2,SW,NESE;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90257
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-208 1680.040 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 001 S2N2,S2;
 011 ALL;
 012 N2NE,W2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90765
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-209 2395.010 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 013 W2;
 014 ALL EXCL ME PATENTS;
 023 ALL;
 024 N2NW;
 026 ALL;
 035 N2NW;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90765
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-210 2440.000 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 015 ALL;
 022 ALL;
 027 ALL;
 034 N2N2,SWNW,S2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90256
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-211 1920.000 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 021 ALL;
 028 ALL;
 033 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90256
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-212 1910.400 Acres
 T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 029 ALL;
 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
 031 E2W2,E2;
 032 ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90256
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-213 1920.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 001 PROT E2;
 012 PROT E2;
 013 PROT E2;
 024 PROT E2;
 025 PROT E2;
 036 PROT E2;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90252
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-214 2540.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 005 PROT ALL;
 006 PROT ALL;
 007 PROT ALL;
 008 PROT ALL;
 White Pine County
 Ely DO
 PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90254
 PGH
 Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-215 2064.000 Acres
 T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV
 Sec. 017 PROT N2,SW;
 018 PROT ALL;

019 PROT ALL;
020 PROT W2;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90254
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

NV-13-12-216 1186.000 Acres
T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 PROT NW;
030 PROT NE,W2,N2SE;
031 PROT W2,SE;
White Pine County
Ely DO
PENDING PRESALE OFFER NO. NVN90254
PGH
Formerly Lease No.

APPENDIX B- December 2013 PARCEL STIPULATIONS

00.....LEASE NOTICE

National Historic Trails

Lands within this lease are in proximity to or contain portions of the Pony Express National Historic Trail. Oil and gas exploration and development activities between a minimum of three and a maximum of five miles of the Pony Express National Historic Trail shall undergo a visual assessment in conjunction with environmental review to determine if the activity will adversely affect the visual integrity (IM No. NV-2004-004, "Historic Landscape Management Along National Historic Trails"). Appropriate mitigation will take place as necessary to maintain the management corridor in as natural a condition as possible.

Pony Express Trail:

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-073	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 015 S2; Sec. 016 S2S2.
NV-13-12-074	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 014 SW; Sec. 023 ALL; Sec. 024 NW, N2SW, SWSW.
NV-13-12-075	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 019 SENE, SE; Sec. 020 S2, NE, S2NW; Sec. 021 ALL; Sec. 022 ALL.
NV-13-12-076	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 W2E2, W2; Sec. 027 ALL.
NV-13-12-077	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 028 E2, W2NW, SW; Sec. 029 ALL; Sec. 032 N2, N2SW; Sec. 023 N2, N2SW.

NV-13-12-078	T.0250N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 030 LOTS 3, 4; Sec. 030 E2, E2SW; Sec. 031 LOT 1; Sec. 031 E2NW, NE, S2SE.
NV-13-12-115	T.0170N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 014 NESW, S2SW; Sec. 023 N2NW.
NV-13-12-164	T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 001 S2N2,S2; Sec. 002 LOTS 1,2; Sec. 002 S2NE,SE; Sec. 011 NE; Sec. 012 N2, NESE.
NV-13-12-169	T.0230N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 S2NW,W2SE, SESE; Sec. 035 E2NE,SE; Sec. 036 S2NE, NW, S2.
NV-13-12-175	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 005 S2N2,S2; Sec. 006 LOTS 1-7; Sec. 006 S2NE,SE,SE,SE; Sec. 007 LOTS 1-3; Sec. 007 NE, E2NW, NESW, N2SE.
NV-13-12-176	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 008 ALL; Sec. 017 E2E2.
NV-13-12-177	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 009 SW; Sec. 016 N2,SW.
NV-13-12-181	T.0230N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 031 LOTS 3-4; Sec. 031 E2,E2SE, SE; Sec. 032 W2SW, SESW, SWSE.

NV-13-12-208	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 001 LOTS 1;</p> <p>Sec. 001 S2NE, E2SW, SE;</p> <p>Sec. 011 SENE, SE;</p> <p>Sec. 012 N2NE,W2.</p>
NV-13-12-209	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 013 W2;</p> <p>Sec. 014 NE, E2NW, NESW, S2SW, SE EXCL ME</p> <p>PATENTS;</p> <p>Sec. 023 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 024 N2NW;</p> <p>Sec. 026 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 035 N2NW.</p>
NV-13-12-210	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 022 S2S2;</p> <p>Sec. 027 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 034 N2N2,SWNW,S2.</p>
NV-13-12-211	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 021 S2S2;</p> <p>Sec. 028 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 033 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-212	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 029 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2W2,E2;</p> <p>Sec. 032 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-213	<p>T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 025 PROT S2NE, SE;</p> <p>Sec. 036 PROT E2.</p>
NV-13-12-216	<p>T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 031 PROT NESW, S2SW, SE.</p>

LEASE NOTICE

Historic Sites

Lands within this lease are in proximity to or contain portions of Hastings Cutoff, the Lincoln Highway, or the Osceola Ditch. Oil and gas exploration and development activities within one mile of these sites must undergo a visual assessment in conjunction with environmental review to determine if the activity will adversely affect the visual integrity. Appropriate mitigation will take place as necessary to maintain the management corridor in as natural a condition as possible.

Lincoln Highway:

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-148	T.0160N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 012 N2NE, W2; Sec. 013 SWNE, W2W2, NESW, NWSE; Sec. 023 W2NE, NENW.
NV-13-12-172	T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS 1,2; Sec. 005 S2NE, SE; Sec. 008 NE, SESW, SE.
NV-13-12-173	T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 017 NE, E2NW, SE.
NV-13-12-174	T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 020 NE, N2SE; Sec. 028 S2NW; Sec. 029 NE, SESW, SE; Sec. 032 NE, NENW, S2NW, S2.
NV-13-12-177	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 009 SW; Sec. 016 N2, SW.
NV-13-12-179	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 020 E2; Sec. 028 W2NE, NW; Sec. 029 E2; Sec. 032 E2.

NV-13-12-182	T.0230N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 ALL.
NV-13-12-183	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 001 S2N2,S2; Sec. 012 ALL; Sec. 013 ALL.
NV-13-12-184	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 002 SE; Sec. 011 NE, E2NW, S2; Sec. 014 ALL; Sec. 015 SENE, NESE, S2SE.
NV-13-12-190	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 022 NE, E2SW, SE; Sec. 023 ALL; Sec. 026 ALL; Sec. 027 NE, NENW, S2NW, S2.
NV-13-12-191	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 024 N2,N2S2,S2SW,SESE; Sec. 025 W2NE,SENE,NW,Sw, N2SE, SWSE.
NV-13-12-192	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 034 E2,N2NW,SW; Sec. 035 ALL.
NV-13-12-196	T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 SESE; Sec. 036 E2,E2SW.
NV-13-12-199	T.0240N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS 3,4; Sec. 005 S2NW,SW; Sec. 006 LOTS 1-6; Sec. 006 S2NE,SE; Sec. 007 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 007 E2; Sec. 008 W2.
NV-13-12-200	T.0240N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 018 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 018 NE,NWSE;

	Sec. 019 LOTS 1-4;
	Sec. 030 LOTS 1.
NV-13-12-201	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 003 LOTS 1-4;
	Sec. 003 S2;
	Sec. 004 S2SE;
	Sec. 009 NE, NENW, S2NW, S2;
	Sec. 010 N2,SW,E2SE,N2NWSE,SESWSE;
	Sec. 010 N2SWNWSE,SESWNWSE,SWSE.
NV-13-12-202	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 008 NESE, S2SE.
NV-13-12-203	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 016 ALL;
	Sec. 021 N2,SW,N2SE,SWSE;
	Sec. 028 NENW,W2W2.
NV-13-12-204	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 017 NE, E2NW, S2;
	Sec. 019 E2E2, SWNE;
	Sec. 020 ALL.
NV-13-12-205	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 029 ALL;
	Sec. 030 LOTS 1-4;
	Sec. 030 E2;
	Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;
	Sec. 031 E2;
	Sec. 032 N2,SW,W2SE.
NV-13-12-206	T.0260N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 035 NENE, S2NE, SE.
NV-13-12-208	T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
	Sec. 001 LOTS 1;
	Sec. 001 S2NE, E2SW, SE;
	Sec. 011 SENE, SE;
	Sec. 012 N2NE,W2.

NV-13-12-209	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 013 W2;</p> <p>Sec. 014 NE, E2NW, NESW, S2SW, SE EXCL ME</p> <p>PATENTS;</p> <p>Sec. 023 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 024 N2NW;</p> <p>Sec. 026 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 035 N2NW.</p>
NV-13-12-210	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 022 S2S2;</p> <p>Sec. 027 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 034 N2N2,SWNW,S2.</p>
NV-13-12-211	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 021 S2S2;</p> <p>Sec. 028 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 033 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-212	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 029 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2W2,E2;</p> <p>Sec. 032 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-213	<p>T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 025 PROT S2NE, SE;</p> <p>Sec. 036 PROT E2.</p>
NV-13-12-216	<p>T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 031 PROT NESW, S2SW, SE;</p>
NV-13-12-209	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 026 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 035 N2NW.</p>
NV-13-12-210	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 022 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 027 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 034 N2N2,SWNW,S2.</p>
NV-13-12-211	<p>T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 021 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 028 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 033 NE, NENW, NWSW.</p>

NV-13-12-212

T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 029 E2NE, NESE.

LEASE NOTICE

Cultural Sites

Lands within this lease contain areas of known high potential for cultural resources. Properties known at the time of lease announcement that are listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places will be avoided, where possible, by means of lease exclusions or by limits on surface use. The preferred avoidance option is to exclude areas containing National Register of Historic Places eligible sites from leasing and all forms of surface disturbance. Cultural sites not avoided may require consultation with State Historic Preservation Officer and treatment plans.

Jakes Valley Paleo Shorel Goshute Lake:

<u>Parcels</u>	<u>Description of Lands</u>
NV-13-12-115	T.0170N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 014 NESW, S2SW; Sec. 023 N2NW.
NV-13-12-193	T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOTS 1,2,7, 8, 9, 10; Sec. 001 SE; Sec. 003 LOTS 4,5,12; Sec. 003 W2SW; Sec. 004 LOTS 9,11,12; Sec. 004 SW,E2SE,SENWSE,E2SWSE; Sec. 008 E2NE, E2SE; Sec. 012 E2E2.
NV-13-12-194	T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 009 E2NE,E2NWNW,SWNWNW,SWNE; Sec. 009 E2E2SW,SE; Sec. 009 NWNENW,W2NW,W2SENW,W2SW; Sec. 010 W2W2.
NV-13-12-198	T.0260N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 E2E2NW,NWNW,W2SWNW,E2SW; Sec. 026 W2NWSW,NWSWSW,SESWSW; Sec. 034 NESW,NWNESE,NWSE,E2SESE; Sec. 034 N2N2,SWNE,W2SENE,SENW; Sec. 035 E2NW,E2W2NW,SWSWNW,W2SW.
NV-13-12-201	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 004 SWSW; Sec. 009 W2W2.

NV-13-12-202	<p>T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 006 LOTS 1-5;</p> <p>Sec. 006 N2SE, SWSE;</p> <p>Sec. 007 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 007 E2;</p> <p>Sec. 008 S2NE, NW, S2.</p>
NV-13-12-203	<p>T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 016 W2NW, NWSW.</p>
NV-13-12-204	<p>T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 017 N2, N2S2;</p> <p>Sec. 018 LOTS 1-3;</p> <p>Sec. 018 NE, N2SE.</p>
NV-13-12-207	<p>T.0260N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 029 W2;</p> <p>Sec. 030 E2SESENE;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2;</p> <p>Sec. 032 N2,SW,NESE.</p>

LEASE NOTICE

Cultural Sites

Lands within this lease contain areas of known high potential for cultural resources. The lease area may also contain historic properties, traditional cultural properties (TCP), and/or sacred sites currently unknown to the Bureau of Land Management that were not identified during the lease parcel review process. Mitigation measures may be required to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects to historic properties and TCPs. The costs of these mitigation measures will be borne by the lessee. The Bureau of Land Management may disapprove proposed exploration and/or development activities that are likely to adversely affect historic properties, TCPs, or sacred sites for which no mitigation measures are possible.

Below are parcels not covered under other stipulations that have been identified as having known cultural issues (high potential for cultural resources):

NV-13-12-013	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 ALL; Sec. 022 ALL; Sec. 027 ALL; Sec. 028 ALL.
NV-13-12-047	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 017 PROT ALL; Sec. 018 PROT ALL; Sec. 019 PROT ALL; Sec. 020 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-051	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 PROT ALL; Sec. 030 PROT ALL; Sec. 031 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-147	T.0120N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 024 W2NE,S2NW,S2; Sec. 025 ALL.
NV-13-12-150	T.0250N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 008 SW,W2SE.

NV-13-12-152	<p>T.0080N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 005 S2N2,S2;</p> <p>Sec. 006 LOTS LOTS 1-7;</p> <p>Sec. 006 S2NE,SENE,E2SW,SE;</p> <p>Sec. 007 LOTS LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 007 E2,E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 008 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-153	<p>T.0080N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 017 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 018 LOTS LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 018 E2,E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 019 E2;</p> <p>Sec. 020 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-155	<p>T.0090N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 030 LOTS LOTS 2-4;</p> <p>Sec. 030 SWNE,E2SW,SE;</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2,E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 032 NWNW,S2NW,SW,W2SE.</p>
NV-13-12-163	<p>T.0210N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 025 LOTS LOTS 2,3,5;</p> <p>Sec. 025 W2SWNE,S2NW,W2SW;</p> <p>Sec. 036 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4,6,8,9,11,12;</p> <p>Sec. 036 LOTS LOTS 14;</p> <p>Sec. 036 NWNW.</p>
NV-13-12-165	<p>T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 013 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 014 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4,6,7,10,15;</p> <p>Sec. 014 E2NE;</p> <p>Sec. 023 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4,6,7,9;</p> <p>Sec. 023 W2SE,SESE;</p> <p>Sec. 024 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4,6;</p> <p>Sec. 024 N2,E2SW,SE.</p>
NV-13-12-167	<p>T.0230N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1-4;</p>

Sec. 001 S2N2,S2;
Sec. 002 LOTS LOTS 1,3,4;
Sec. 002 W2NESW,SE;
Sec. 002 SENE,E2SWNE,S2NW,W2SW;
Sec. 011 E2;
Sec. 012 ALL.

NV-13-12-173

T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 017 N2,SE;
Sec. 018 NE,E2W2.

NV-13-12-174

T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 019 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
Sec. 019 SESW,S2SE;
Sec. 020 E2,S2SW;
Sec. 028 S2NW;
Sec. 029 E2,S2SW;
Sec. 030 SESE;
Sec. 031 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
Sec. 031 E2E2;
Sec. 032 ALL.

NV-13-12-184

T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 002 S2;
Sec. 011 ALL;
Sec. 014 ALL;
Sec. 015 ALL.

NV-13-12-185

T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 3,4;
Sec. 003 S2NW,SW;
Sec. 004 LOTS LOTS 1-4;
Sec. 004 S2N2,S2;
Sec. 009 ALL;
Sec. 010 W2;
Sec. 016 ALL.

NV-13-12-193

T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS LOTS 1,2,7-10;
Sec. 001 SE;
Sec. 003 LOTS LOTS 4,5,12;

Sec. 003 W2SW;
Sec. 004 LOTS LOTS 9,11,12;
Sec. 004 SW,E2SE,SESWSE,E2SWSE;
Sec. 008 ALL;
Sec. 012 E2E2.

NV-13-12-197

T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 032 E2,SWNW,W2SESW,NESWSW;
Sec. 032 SWSESW;
Sec. 033 ALL;
Sec. 034 W2.

LEASE NOTICE

Desert Tortoise Habitat

Lands within this lease will require Section 7 consultation prior to any surface disturbance in desert tortoise habitat. The BLM must ensure that the impacts from the operation do not jeopardize the continued existence of a listed species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat. The operator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the BLM also must reach concurrence that the proposed actions are below the jeopardy or adverse modification threshold. If it is determined that through the review of the plan of operation and the use of mitigation measures that the operation is not below the jeopardy or adverse modification threshold, the project would not go forward.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE TIMING STIPULATIONS

Resource: Desert Tortoise Habitat

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within desert tortoise habitat from March 1 through October 31 without concurrence from the Forest Service.

Objective: To protect desert tortoise during the most active period to maintain desert tortoise populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action would not adversely affect desert tortoise habitat.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting desert tortoise. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, determines that the entire leasehold is no longer occupied by desert tortoise.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE TIMING STIPULATIONS

Resource: Desert Bighorn Sheep Habitat

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within occupied desert bighorn sheep habitat from March 1 through May 31 and from July 1 through August 31.

Objective: To protect desert bighorn sheep from disturbance during lambing and the crucial hot summer months to maintain existing populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting desert bighorn sheep. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that the entire leasehold is no longer occupied by desert bighorn sheep.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE TIMING STIPULATION

Resource: Big Game Crucial Winter Habitat

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within big game crucial winter range from November 1 through March 31.

Objective: To protect elk, mule deer, and pronghorn antelope from disturbance during the crucial winter period to maintain wildlife populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area no longer contain winter habitat. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains crucial winter range for big game.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-001	T.0220N, R.0560E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 SENW, NESW.
NV-13-12-006	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 001 S2N2, S2; Sec. 012 ALL.
NV-13-12-009	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 015 SE.
NV-13-12-010	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 013 ALL; Sec. 014 SW, S2NW, W2SE.
NV-13-12-013	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 022 E2, E2W2; Sec. 027 E2.
NV-13-12-014	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 023 ALL; Sec. 024 E2, E2NW, SW; Sec. 025 ALL.
NV-13-12-015	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 ALL;

	Sec. 035 ALL; Sec. 036 ALL.
NV-13-12-017	T.0010N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 034 E2, SW.
NV-13-12-018	T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 013 SW, S2SE; Sec. 023 E2E2; Sec. 024 ALL; Sec. 026 E2E2.
NV-13-12-021	T.0020N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 ALL; Sec. 035 E2NE; Sec. 036 ALL.
NV-13-12-029	T.0020N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 003 NW; Sec. 004 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 004 S2N2, S2; Sec. 009 ALL.
NV-13-12-030	T.0020N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 005 S2N2, S2; Sec. 006 LOTS 1-7; Sec. 006 S2NE, SENW, E2SW, SE; Sec. 007 E2; Sec. 008 ALL.
NV-13-12-031	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 001 S2N2, S2; Sec. 002 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 002 S2N2, S2; Sec. 012 NW, W2SW.
NV-13-12-032	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 003 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 003 S2N2, S2; Sec. 004 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 004 S2N2, S2; Sec. 009 E2, E2W2, NWNW; Sec. 010 ALL.

NV-13-12-033	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOT 1; Sec. 005 NESE, SENE.
NV-13-12-034	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 017 SE.
NV-13-12-035	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 011 ALL; Sec. 013 W2NW; Sec. 014 ALL.
NV-13-12-036	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 015 ALL; Sec. 016 E2, E2W2, W2SW, SWNW.
NV-13-12-037	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 019 SESE; Sec. 020 ALL; Sec. 029 ALL; Sec. 030 E2, E2SW, SENW.
NV-13-12-038	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 E2, N2NW, S2SW; Sec. 028 ALL; Sec. 033 ALL.
NV-13-12-039	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 022 ALL; Sec. 023 W2, W2E2; Sec. 027 ALL.
NV-13-12-040	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 W2; Sec. 034 W2, NE, W2SE.
NV-13-12-041	T.0030N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 031 E2, E2W2; Sec. 032 ALL.

NV-13-12-042	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 PROT ALL; Sec. 002 PROT ALL; Sec. 003 E2E2.
NV-13-12-043	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 016 S2, S2N2.
NV-13-12-045	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 010 E2; Sec. 011 PROT ALL; Sec. 012 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-046	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 013 PROT ALL; Sec. 014 PROT ALL; Sec. 015 S2, NE.
NV-13-12-047	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 017 SE, E2SW, S2NE; Sec. 020 E2, E2NW.
NV-13-12-048	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 PROT ALL; Sec. 027 PROT ALL; Sec. 028 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-049	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 022 PROT ALL; Sec. 023 PROT ALL; Sec. 024 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-050	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 PROT ALL; Sec. 026 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-051	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 NE, E2SE.
NV-13-12-052	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 033 PROT ALL; Sec. 034 PROT ALL.

NV-13-12-053	T.0040N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 035 PROT ALL; Sec. 036 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-054	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 SE.
NV-13-12-055	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 004 W2, W2E2; Sec. 005 PROT ALL; Sec. 008 PROT ALL; Sec. 009 NW, W2NE, N2SW, SWSW.
NV-13-12-056	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 006 PROT ALL; Sec. 007 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-057	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 012 SE, E2NE, SWNE, E2SW; Sec. 013 E2, E2NW.
NV-13-12-058	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 024 E2.
NV-13-12-060	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 017 NW, N2SW, N2NE; Sec. 018 N2, SW, N2SE.
NV-13-12-061	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 E2, E2W2, W2SW; Sec. 026 SESE.
NV-13-12-064	T.0050N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 035 PROT ALL; Sec. 036 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-065	T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 019 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 019 E2, E2W2; Sec. 020 W2, W2E2.
NV-13-12-068	T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 W2, SE, W2NE; Sec. 032 ALL; Sec. 033 W2W2.

NV-13-12-069	<p>T.0060N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 030 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 030 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2, E2W2.</p>
NV-13-12-081	<p>T.0030N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 005 N2N2, SENE;</p> <p>Sec. 006 N2N2.</p>
NV-13-12-083	<p>T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 005 LOTS 3,4;</p> <p>Sec. 005 S2NW,SW;</p> <p>Sec. 006 LOTS 1-7;</p> <p>Sec. 006 S2NE,SE,SW,SE.</p>
NV-13-12-084	<p>T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 007 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 007 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 017 W2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 018 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 018 E2, E2W2.</p>
NV-13-12-085	<p>T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 019 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 019 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 020 W2.</p>
NV-13-12-086	<p>T.0040N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 029 W2, SE, W2NE;</p> <p>Sec. 030 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 030 E2, E2W2</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 032 ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-087	<p>T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 004 W2SW;</p> <p>Sec. 005 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 005 S2N2, S2;</p> <p>Sec. 006 LOTS 1-3;</p> <p>Sec. 006 S2, S2,NW, S2NE.</p>

NV-13-12-088	<p>T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 007 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 007 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 008 ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 009 E2NW.</p>
NV-13-12-089	<p>T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 017 NW, W2NE, W2SW;</p> <p>Sec. 018 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 018 E2, E2W2;</p> <p>Sec. 019 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 019 E2W2, W2SE, NE.</p>
NV-13-12-090	<p>T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 020 NWNW;</p> <p>Sec. 032 SW.</p>
NV-13-12-091	<p>T.0050N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 030 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 030 E2W2, W2E2;</p> <p>Sec. 031 LOTS 1-4;</p> <p>Sec. 031 E2, E2W2.</p>
NV-13-12-094	<p>T.0060N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 031 S2SE;</p> <p>Sec. 032 S2SW.</p>
NV-13-12-095	<p>T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 001 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 002 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 003 PROT ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-096	<p>T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 004 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 009 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 016 PROT ALL.</p>
NV-13-12-097	<p>T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 005 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 006 NE, E2NW, E2SE.</p>
NV-13-12-098	<p>T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV</p> <p>Sec. 007 SESE;</p> <p>Sec. 008 PROT ALL;</p> <p>Sec. 017 PROT ALL.</p>

NV-13-12-099	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 010 PROT ALL; Sec. 014 PROT ALL; Sec. 015 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-100	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 011 PROT ALL; Sec. 012 PROT ALL; Sec. 013 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-101	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 018 PROT ALL; Sec. 019 PROT ALL; Sec. 020 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-102	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 PROT ALL; Sec. 022 N2, W2SW; Sec. 023 N2, SE, N2SW, SESW; Sec. 024 W2, W2E2, NENE.
NV-13-12-104	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 028 W2, W2E2, NENE; Sec. 032 PROT ALL; Sec. 033 NW, NWSW.
NV-13-12-105	T.0080N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 PROT ALL; Sec. 030 E2; Sec. 031 E2.
NV-13-12-110	T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 021 SE, S2SW; Sec. 022 S2, S2N2; Sec. 023 S2.
NV-13-12-111	T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 024 SWSW; Sec. 025 W2, W2SE; Sec. 036 W2, SE, W2NE.

NV-13-12-112	T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 026 PROT ALL; Sec. 027 PROT ALL; Sec. 035 PROT ALL; Sec. 036 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-113	T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 028 PROT ALL; Sec. 032 PROT ALL; Sec. 033 PROT ALL.
NV-13-12-114	T.0090N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 S2, NE, S2NW; Sec. 030 SE; Sec. 031 E2.
NV-13-12-160	T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 PROT SESE EXCL ME PATENTS; Sec. 036 PROT E2NE, SE EXCL ME PATENTS.
NV-13-12-213	T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 PROT NE.

LEASE TIMING STIPULATION

Resource: Big Game Calving/Fawning/Kidding/Lambing Grounds

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within big game calving/fawning/kidding/lambing grounds from April 15 through June 30.

Objective: To protect elk, mule deer, pronghorn antelope, and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep from disturbance during calving, fawning, kidding, and lambing to maintain wildlife populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting big game calving, fawning, kidding, and lambing. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains big game calving/fawning/kidding/lambing grounds.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-079

T.0260N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 022 ALL;
Sec. 023 ALL;
Sec. 024 ALL.

NV-13-12-080

T.0260N, R.0590E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 033 NENE;
Sec. 034 N2, N2NE;
Sec. 035 E2, NW, N2SW;
Sec. 036 W2, W2NE.

LEASE TIMING STIPULATION

Resource: Raptor Nest Sites

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed from May 1 through July 15 within 0.5 mile of a raptor nest site which has been active within the past five years.

Objective: To protect raptor nesting activities to maintain existing populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting raptor nesting activity. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains raptor nest sites.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-143	T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 036 ALL.
NV-13-12-199	T.0240N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 008 NENW, S2NW, SW;
NV-13-12-213	T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 PROT N2NE.
NV-13-12-215	T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 020 PROT W2.
NV-13-12-216	T.0240N, R.0680E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 029 PROT NW.

LEASE TIMING STIPULATION

Resource: Sage Grouse Nesting Habitat Associated with Leks

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within two miles of a sage grouse lek from March 1 through May 15 (June 15).

Objective: To protect sage grouse nesting activities associated with leks to maintain sage grouse populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting sage grouse nesting activity. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains nesting habitat for sage grouse.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-027	T.0030N, R.0580E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 007 SWSW; Sec. 018 W2.
NV-13-12-119	T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS LOTS 3,4; Sec. 005 S2NW, SW, W2SE, SESE.
NV-13-12-149	T.0200N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 031 PROT SENW,SW,W2SE,SESE.
NV-13-12-150	T.0250N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 008 SW,W2SE.
NV-13-12-157	T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 003 PROT NENE, W2NE,NW,N2SW EXCL ME PATENT.
NV-13-12-160	T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 025 PROT SE EXCL ME PATENTS; Sec. 036 PROT NE, E2NW, SENW, SW, SE EXCL ME PATENTS;
NV-13-12-164	T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 002 NWSE; S2SE; Sec. 011 E2;

	Sec. 012 W2NW, SW.
NV-13-12-165	T.0220N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 013 W2; Sec. 014 NE, E2SE; Sec. 023 E2NE, SE; Sec. 024 N2NW,SWNW, NWSW.
NV-13-12-170	T.0240N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 014 SE; Sec. 023 SWNE, NENW, S2NW,SW, W2SE Sec. 026 W2.
NV-13-12-171	T.0240N, R.0630E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 027 E2,E2SW; Sec. 034 N2, NESE, W2SE; Sec. 035 NW, NWSW.
NV-13-12-172	T.0210N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOT 1; Sec. 005 SENE.
NV-13-12-177	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 016 NE, SENW, NESW, S2SW;
NV-13-12-179	T.0220N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 028 W2NE,NW; Sec. 029 E2SE; Sec. 032 NE, N2SE, SESE.
NV-13-12-186	T.0240N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 005 LOTS 5, 9; Sec. 006 LOTS 8-11, 15-18; Sec. 007 LOTS 9, 11, 20, 22, 24.
NV-13-12-195	T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 020 SWSWSE;
NV-13-12-197	T.0250N, R.0640E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 032 W2NE, SWNW,W2SENW,NESWSW, SWSESW, NWSE.
NV-13-12-201	T.0250N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 003 LOTS 1-4; Sec. 003 S2; Sec. 010 NE,E2NW, NWNW, NESW,

Sec. 010 N2NWSE,N2SWNWSE,SESWNWSE,SWSE.

NV-13-12-206

T.0260N, R.0650E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 026 SENE, NESW, S2SW, SE;

Sec. 035 E2.

NV-13-12-211

T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 033 SW, NWSE, S2SE.

NV-13-12-212

T.0230N, R.0670E, 21 MDM, NV

Sec. 031 SESW, NESE, S2SE;

Sec. 032 S2.

LEASE TIMING STIPULATION

Resource: Sage Grouse Winter Range

Stipulation: Timing Limitation. No surface activity would be allowed within winter range for sage grouse from November 1 through March 31.

Objective: To protect sage grouse from disturbance during the crucial winter period to maintain sage grouse populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are minimal or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area no longer contain sage grouse winter habitat. The dates for the timing restriction may be modified if new information indicates the dates are not valid for the leasehold.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains winter range for sage grouse.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-115

T.0170N, R.0600E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 014 NESW, S2SW;
Sec. 023 N2NW.

NV-13-12-160

T.0200N, R.0620E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 036 PROT E2SE.

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: Threatened and Endangered, and Sensitive Species

Stipulation: No ground disturbing activities would be allowed within the boundaries of areas known to contain unusually high concentrations of threatened, endangered, or BLM or State sensitive species. No surface occupancy would be allowed within the:

Ash Springs ACEC
Baking Powder Flat ACEC
Condor Canyon ACEC
Highland Range ACEC
Lower Meadow Valley Wash ACEC
Schlesser Pincushion ACEC
Shoshone Ponds ACEC
Swamp Cedar ACEC
White River Valley ACEC

Purpose: To protect threatened and endangered and sensitive species. Avoid BLM-approved activities that contribute to a need to list a species or its habitat as threatened and endangered.

Exception: None

Modification: None

Waiver: None

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-131

T.0080N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 001 LOTS 2,3,4;
Sec. 001 SWNE,S2NW,SW,W2SE;
Sec. 002 LOTS 1-4
Sec. 002 S2N2,S2;
Sec. 011 ALL;
Sec. 012 W2;
Sec. 013 N2NW;
Sec. 014 N2N2.

NV-13-12-143

T.0090N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 025 W2NE, NW, SW, W2SE;
Sec. 026 ALL,
Sec. 035 ALL,
Sec. 036 W2NE, NW, SW, W2SE.

NV-13-12-146

T.0110N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV
Sec. 027 SW.

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: Desert Tortoise ACEC

Stipulation: No surface occupancy would be allowed within the Beaver Dam Slope ACEC or the Mormon Mesa ACEC.

Purpose: These areas encompass the habitat which has been determined to be critical to the survival of the desert tortoise population. The desert tortoise is a listed species under the Endangered Species Act.

Exception: The authorized officer may grant an exception (allow surface occupancy) upon completion of formal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that yields a no-jeopardy opinion if a plan of development is submitted that does not significantly impact tortoise habitats or populations. The plan of development must demonstrate no significant impact will occur through mitigation of impacts, compensation (in accordance with BLM policy), and restoration of the land to pre-disturbance condition.

Modification: None

Waiver: None

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: Natural, Scenic, and Recreation Sites

Stipulation: No ground disturbance activities would be allowed within the boundaries of areas that exhibit exceptional natural, scenic, or recreational values. No Surface Occupancy would be allowed within the:

Blue Mass Scenic Area ACEC
Cleve Creek Recreation Site
Egan Crest Trailhead
Garnet Hill
Illipah Reservoir
Kirch Wildlife Management Area
Sacramento Pass Recreation Site
Ward Mountain Recreation Site
White Pine County Shooting Range

Purpose: To protect the public's opportunity for quality recreation experiences at those sites developed for those purposes.

To prevent user conflicts and incompatible uses in areas with high recreational values and significant amounts of recreational activity. To control the visual impacts of activities and facilities within acceptable levels.

Exception: None

Modification: None

Waiver: A waiver may be granted for a site if it is moved or eliminated.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NV-13-12-118	T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 001 LOT 4; Sec. 001 SWNW; Sec. 014 NW.
NV-13-12-119	T.0060N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 002 LOTS 3,4; Sec. 002 SWNW; Sec. 003 S2; Sec. 004 NESW, S2SW,SE; Sec. 005 SESE.
NV-13-12-127	T.0070N, R.0610E, 21 MDM, NV Sec. 022 E2E2; Sec. 027 E2E2; Sec. 034 E2NE,NESE.

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: BLM Facilities

Stipulation: No surface occupancy would be allowed within the following withdrawal areas:

Caliente Field Station

Pony Springs Fire Station

Purpose: To protect the operation and maintenance of the BLM's facilities.

Exception: None

Modification: None

Waiver: None

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: Paleontological Sites

Stipulation: No ground disturbance activities would be allowed within the boundaries of areas of known paleontological sites/locales. No surface occupancy would be allowed within the: Andies Mine Trilobite Site

Purpose: To preserve and protect significant vertebrate fossils and paleontological sites.

Exception: None

Modification: None

Waiver: None

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE – NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATIONS

Resource: Cultural Sites

Stipulation: No ground disturbance activities would be allowed within the boundaries of cultural properties and archaeological/historic districts determined to be eligible or potentially eligible to the National Register of Historic Places. No surface occupancy would be allowed within the:

Baker Archaeological Site ACEC
Rock Animal Corral Archaeological Site
Honeymoon Hill/City of Rocks ACEC
Mount Irish ACEC
Pahroc Rock Art ACEC
Rose Guano Bat Cave ACEC
Shooting Gallery ACEC
Snake Creek Indian Burial Cave ACEC
Sunshine Locality National Register District
White River Archaeological District

Purpose: To protect significant cultural properties and archaeological districts and their settings.

Exception: None.

Modification: None.

Waiver: None.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

LEASE- NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATION

Resource: Sage Grouse Leks

Stipulation: No surface occupancy. No surface use would be allowed within 0.25 mile of a sage grouse lek.

Objective: To protect sage grouse breeding activities and the integrity of the habitat associated with sage grouse leks to maintain sage grouse populations.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation may be granted by the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action would not affect breeding activity nor degrade the integrity of the habitat associated with the sage grouse lek.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting the sage grouse lek.

Waiver: The stipulation may be waived if the authorized officer, in consultation with Nevada Department of Wildlife, determines that the lek has been inactive for at least five consecutive years or the habitat has changed such that there is no likelihood the lek would become active.

Parcels

Description of Lands

NONE

APPENDIX C. BLM Sensitive Species (2012) that occur or have the potential to occur within the parcels, or may be affected if drilling were to occur. The BLM reviews and updates this list annually.

Common Name	Scientific Name
Birds	
Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
Western Burrowing Owl	<i>Athene cuniculariaa hypugaea</i>
Ferruginous Hawk	<i>Buteo regalis</i>
Swainson's Hawk	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>
Greater Sage Grouse	<i>Centrocercus urophasianus</i>
Western Snowy Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>
Perigrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Pinyon Jay	<i>Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus</i>
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>
Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>
Black Rosy-finch	<i>Leucosticte atrata</i>
Lewis Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes lewis</i>
Sage Thrasher	<i>Oreoscoptes montanus</i>
Brewer's Sparrow	<i>Spizella breweri</i>
Mammals	
pallid bat	<i>Antrozous pallidus</i>
pygmy rabbit	<i>Brachylagus idahoensis</i>
Townsend's big-eared bat	<i>Corynorhinus townsendii</i>
big brown bat	<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>
spotted bat	<i>Euderma maculatum</i>
silver-haired bat	<i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i>
western red bat	<i>Lasiurus blossevillei</i>
hoary bat	<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>
dark kangaroo mouse	<i>Microdipodops megacephalus</i>
California myotis	<i>Myotis californicus</i>
western small-footed myotis	<i>Myotis ciliolabrum</i>
long-eared myotis	<i>Myotis evotis</i>
little brown myotis	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>
fringed myotis	<i>Myotis thysanodes</i>
long-legged myotis	<i>Myotis volans</i>
Yuma myotis	<i>Myotis yumanensis</i>
western pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus hesperus</i>
Brazilian free-tailed bat	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>
Fish	
Newark Valley tui chub	<i>Gila bicolor newarkensis</i>
relict dace	<i>Relictus solitarius</i>
White River spine dace	<i>Lepidomeda albivalis</i>
White River desert sucker	<i>Catostomus clarki intermedius</i>
White River speckled dace	<i>Rhinichthys osculus ssp 7</i>
Insects	
Steptoe Valley crescent spot	<i>Phyciodes pascoensis arenacolor</i>
White River wood nymph	<i>Cercyonis pegala pluvialis</i>
Amphibians	
Northern leopard frog	<i>Rana pipiens</i>
Plants	

Common Name	Scientific Name
Sunnyside green gentian	<i>Fraseria gypsicola</i>
Tiehm blazingstar	<i>Mentzelia tiehmii</i>
Eastwood milkweed	<i>Asclepias eastwoodiana</i>

APPENDIX D, SECTION 1 RESOURCE PROGRAM BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

1.1 Introduction

Section 1 contains best management practices developed by the Ely Field Office. They have been organized by the primary resource the best management practices would benefit or protect. Each best management practice could actually be implemented by a number of resource programs within the Field Office. Between the Draft RMP/EIS and the Proposed RMP/Final EIS, certain best management practices have been incorporated into Chapter 2.0 as management actions, edited for clarity, or deleted because they are no longer appropriate. Best management practices would be implemented at the discretion of the Ely Field Office on a project-specific basis, depending on the specific characteristics of the project area and the types of disturbance being proposed. They may not be appropriate to implement in all cases. It has been assumed for impact analysis that best management practices would be implemented wherever appropriate.

1.2 Air Resources

- 1.2.1 Use dust abatement techniques on unpaved, unvegetated surfaces to minimize airborne dust.
- 1.2.2 Post and enforce speed limits (e.g., 25 miles per hour) to reduce airborne fugitive dust.
- 1.2.3 Cover construction materials and stockpiled soils if they are a source of fugitive dust.
- 1.2.4 Use dust abatement techniques before and during surface clearing, excavation, or blasting activities.

1.3 Water Resources

- 1.3.1 Avoid the application of fire retardant or foam within 300 feet of a stream channel or waterway, when possible, except for the protection of life and property. Aerial application and use of retardants and foams would be consistent with national policy guidelines established by the National Office of Fire and Aviation, as amended.
- 1.3.2 Fire engines that have surfactant foam mixes in tanks must be fitted with an anti-siphon (back flow protection valve) if filled directly from a stream channel.
- 1.3.3 Construct a containment barrier around all pumps and fuel containers utilized within 100 feet (30.5 meters) of a stream channel. The containment barrier would be of sufficient size to contain all fuel being stored or used on site.
- 1.3.4 Prior to use on lands administered by the Ely Field Office, all fire suppression equipment from outside the planning area utilized to extract water from lakes, streams, ponds, or spring sources (e.g., helicopter buckets, draft hoses, and screens) will be thoroughly rinsed to remove mud and debris and then disinfected to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic species. Rinsing equipment with disinfectant solution will not occur within 100 feet of natural water sources (i.e., lakes, streams, or springs). Ely suppression equipment utilized to extract water from water sources known to be contaminated with invasive aquatic species, as identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Nevada Department of Wildlife, also will be disinfected prior to use elsewhere on lands administered by the Ely Field Office.

- 1.3.5 Do not dump surfactant foam mixes from fire engines within 600 feet of a stream channel.
- 1.3.6 Do not conduct fire retardant mixing operations within 600 feet of a stream channel.
- 1.3.7 Remove all modifications made to impound or divert stream flow by mechanical or other means to facilitate extraction of water from a stream for fire suppression efforts when suppression efforts are completed.
- 1.3.8 When drafting or dipping water during fire operations, continuously monitor water levels at the site that water is being removed from. Do not allow water extraction to exceed the ability of the recharge inflow to maintain the water levels that exist at the time initial attack efforts began. If the water level drops below this predetermined level, all water removal would cease immediately until water levels are recharged.
- 1.3.8 When possible, do not cross or terminate fire control lines at the stream channel. Terminate control lines at the edge of the riparian zone at a location determined appropriate to meet fire suppression objectives based on fire behavior, vegetation/fuel types, and fire fighter safety.
- 1.3.10 Construct access roads and fords that cross stream channels to BLM road standards.
- 1.3.11 Do not construct new roads or mechanical fire control lines or improve existing roads within 300 feet of a stream channel unless authorized by the BLM Field Manager or Authorized Officer.
- 1.3.12 Limit stream crossings on travel routes and trails to the minimal number necessary to minimize sedimentation and compaction. The BLM Authorized Officer will determine if any impacts need to be rehabilitated by the permittee.
- 1.3.13 Conduct mixing of herbicides and rinsing of herbicide containers and spray equipment only in areas that are a safe distance from environmentally sensitive areas and points of entry to bodies of water (storm drains, irrigation ditches, streams, lakes, or wells).
- 1.3.14 A water well may be accepted by the BLM Ely Field Office upon completion of operations. The BLM authorized officer will make the determination whether to accept the well based upon the submission of the well completion forms and relevant hydrogeologic data reports. The well must be installed by drillers licensed by the state of Nevada according to specifications in Nevada Revised Statutes Title 48, Chapter 534.

1.4 Soil Resources

- 1.4.1 Require the use of specialized low-surface impact equipment (e.g., balloon tired vehicles) or helicopters, as determined by the BLM Authorized Officer, for activities in off-road areas where it is deemed necessary to protect fragile soils and other resource values.
- 1.4.2 During periods of adverse soil moisture conditions caused by climatic factors such as thawing, heavy rains, snow, flooding, or drought, suspend activities on existing roads that could create excessive surface rutting. When adverse conditions exist, the operator would contact the BLM Authorized Officer for an evaluation and decision based on soil types, soil moisture, slope, vegetation, and cover.
- 1.4.3 When preparing the site for reclamation, include contour furrowing, terracing, reduction of steep cut and fill slopes, and the installation of water bars, as determined appropriate for site-specific conditions.

1.4.4 Upon completion or temporary suspension of mining operations, backfill all holes and trenches and re-contour the pit to the natural slope, if possible, with pit walls greater than 3 feet in height knocked down and sloped at 3 horizontal to 1 vertical or to the original topography, whichever is less.

1.4.5 Restoration requirements include reshaping, re-contouring, and/or resurfacing with topsoil, installation of water bars, and seeding on the contour. Removal of structures such as culverts, concrete pads, cattle guards, and signs would usually be required. Fertilization and/or fencing of the disturbance may be required. Additional erosion control measures (e.g., fiber matting and barriers) to discourage road travel may be required.

1.5 Vegetation Resources

1.5.1 Where seeding is required, use appropriate seed mixture and seeding techniques approved by the BLM Authorized Officer.

1.5.2 The BLM Authorized Officer will specify required special handling and recovery techniques for Joshua trees, yucca, and some cactus in the southern part of the planning area on a site-specific basis.

1.5.3 Keep removal and disturbance of vegetation to a minimum through construction site management (e.g., using previously disturbed areas and existing easements, limiting equipment/materials storage and staging area sites, etc.).

1.5.4 Generally, conduct reclamation with native seeds that are representative of the indigenous species present in the adjacent habitat. Document rationale for potential seeding with selected nonnative species. Possible exceptions would include use of nonnative species for a temporary cover crop to out-complete weeds. In all cases, ensure seed mixes are approved by the BLM Authorized Officer prior to planting.

1.5.5 Certify that all interim and final seed mixes, hay, straw, and hay/straw products are free of plant species listed on the Nevada noxious weed list.

1.5.6 An area is considered to be satisfactorily reclaimed when all disturbed areas have been recontoured to blend with the natural topography, erosion has been stabilized, and an acceptable vegetative cover has been established. Use the Nevada Guidelines for Successful Revegetation prepared by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, the BLM, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (or most current revision or replacement of this document) to determine if revegetation is successful.

1.5.7 Reclamation bond release criteria would include the following:

The perennial plant cover of the reclaimed area would equal or exceed perennial cover of selected comparison areas (normally adjacent habitat). If the adjacent habitat is severely disturbed, an ecological site description may be used as a cover standard. Cover is normally crown cover as estimated by the point intercept method. Selected cover can be determined using a method as described in Sampling Vegetation Attributes, Interagency Technical Reference, 1996, BLM/RS/ST-96/002+1730. The reclamation plan for the area project would identify the site-specific release criteria and associated statistical methods in the reclamation plan or permit.

1.5.8 Utility companies will manage vegetation in their rights-of-way for safe and reliable operation while maintaining vegetation and wildlife habitat.

1.5.9 Respread weed-free vegetation removed from the right-of-way to provide protection, nutrient recycling, and seed source.

1.6 Fish and Wildlife

1.6.1 Install wildlife escape ramps in all watering troughs, including temporary water haul facilities, and open storage tanks. Pipe the overflow away from the last water trough on an open system to provide water at ground level.

1.6.2 As appropriate, mark certain trees on BLM-administered lands for protection as wildlife trees.

1.6.3 Consider seasonal distribution of large wildlife species when determining methods used to accomplish weed and insect control objectives.

1.6.4 Protect active raptor nests in undisturbed areas within 0.25 mile of areas proposed for vegetation conversion using species-specific protection measures. Inventory areas containing suitable nesting habitat for active raptor nests prior to the initiation of any project.

1.6.5 When used to pump water from any pond or stream, screen the intake end of the draft hose to prevent fish from being ingested. Screen opening size would be a maximum of 3/16 inch (4.7 millimeters).

1.6.6 Special recreation use permittees will take action to ensure that race participants and spectators do not harass wildlife.

1.7 Special Status Species

1.7.1 Avoid line-of-sight views between the power poles along powerlines and sage grouse leks, whenever feasible.

1.7.2 Use current science, guidelines, and methodologies (Avian Power Line Interaction Committee 1994, 1996, 2005) for all new and existing powerlines to minimize raptor and other bird electrocution and collision potential.

1.7.3 When managing weeds in areas of special status species, carefully consider the impacts of the treatment on such species. Wherever possible, hand spraying of herbicides is preferred over other methods.

1.7.4 Do not conduct noxious and invasive weed control within 0.5 mile of nesting and brood rearing areas for special status species during the nesting and brood rearing season.

1.7.5 To the greatest extent possible, survey all mine adits and shafts slated for closure for bat presence and use prior to being closed. Minimize impacts to bat roosts and bat habitat through the use of current science, guidelines, and methodologies when closing and abandoning mine adits.

1.7.6 Develop grazing systems to minimize conflicts with special status species habitat.

1.7.7 For streams currently occupied by any special status species, do not allow extraction of water from ponds or pools if stream inflow is minimal (i.e., during drought situations) and extraction of water would lower the existing pond or pool level.

1.7.8 When new spring developments are constructed on BLM lands and BLM has the authority to design the project, the source and surrounding riparian area will be fenced, the spring will be developed in a manner that leaves surface water at the source and maintains the associated riparian area, water will be provided outside the enclosure in a manner that provides drinking water for large ungulates, wild horses, and/or livestock so they are less likely to break into the enclosure.

1.7.9 Salt and mineral supplements:

- Base placement of salt and mineral supplements on site-specific assessment.
- Normally place salt and mineral supplements at least 0.5 mile away from riparian areas, sensitive sites, populations of special status plant species, cultural resource sites.
- Place salt at least 0.5 mile from any water source including troughs.
- Place salt and mineral supplements at least 1 mile from sage grouse leks.

1.7.9 Water hauling:

- Place water haul sites at least 0.5 mile away from riparian areas, cultural sites, and special status species locations.
- Limit water hauling to existing roads when possible.

1.8 Wild Horses

1.8.1 To protect wild horses and wildlife flag all new fences every 16 feet with white flagging that is at least 1 inch wide and has at least 12 inches hanging free from the top wire of the fence.

1.8.2 If a project involves heavy or sustained traffic, require road signs for safety and protection of wild horses and wildlife.

1.9 Cultural Resources

1.9.1 Ensure that all activities associated with the undertaking, within 100 meters of the discovery, are halted and the discovery is appropriately protected, until the BLM authorized officer issues a Notice to Proceed. A Notice to Proceed may be issued by the BLM under any of the following conditions:

- Evaluation of potentially eligible resource(s) results in a determination that the resource(s) are not eligible;
- The fieldwork phase of the treatment option has been completed; and
- The BLM has accepted a summary description of the fieldwork performed and a reporting schedule for that work.

1.9.2 The operator will inform all persons associated with the project that knowingly disturbing cultural resources (historic or archaeological) or collecting artifacts is illegal.

1.9.3 The BLM may approve cross-country operations of seismic trucks and support vehicles on bare frozen ground or over sufficient snow depth (vehicle traffic does not reveal the ground) so as to prevent surface disturbance.

1.9.4 Perform viewshed reclamation when the setting of a site contributes to the significance of the property.

1.10 Paleontological Resources

1.10.1 When paleontological resources of potential scientific interest are encountered (including all vertebrate fossils and deposits of petrified wood), leave them intact and immediately bring them to the attention of the BLM Authorized Officer.

1.11 Visual Resources

1.11.1 On industrial facilities authorized by the Ely Field Office, utilize anti-glare light fixtures to limit light pollution.

1.11.2 During the implementation of vegetation treatments, create irregular margins around treatment areas to better maintain the existing scenic character of the landscape.

1.11.3 When feasible, bury utility lines on public land when in the viewshed of residential or community development.

1.12 Travel Management and Off-highway Vehicle Use

1.12.1 Design access roads requiring construction with cut and fill to minimize surface disturbance and take into account the character of the landform, natural contours, cut material, depth of cut, where the fill material would be deposited, resource concerns, and visual contrast. Avoid construction of access roads on steep hillsides and near watercourses where alternate routes provide adequate access.

1.12.2 Where adverse impacts or safety considerations warrant, limit or prohibit public access when authorizing specific routes to areas or sites under permit or lease.

1.13 Recreation

1.13.1 Do not allow surface or underground disturbance to occur within 100 yards (horizontally or vertically) of known cave resources.

1.13.2 Where appropriate, do not allow ground disturbing activities within 100 yards of cave entrances, drainage areas, subsurface passages, and developed recreation sites. Do not dispose of waste material or chemicals in sinkholes or gates by cave entrances. If during construction activities any sinkholes or cave openings are discovered, cease construction activities and notify the BLM authorized officer.

1.14 Livestock Grazing

1.14.1 Water troughs

- Place troughs connected with spring developments outside of riparian and wetland habitats to reduce livestock trampling damage to wet areas.
- Control trough overflow at springs with float valves or deliver the overflow back into the native channel.

1.14.2 Based on allotment situations and circumstances associated with livestock grazing and multiple use management, implement any or all of the following appropriate management practices on winterfat dominated ecological sites.

- Develop grazing systems to control or rest grazing use on winterfat sites after March 1 or when the critical growing season begins. Allow spring grazing use during the critical growing period if a grazing rotation system that provides rest from grazing during the critical growing period at least every other

year for all areas is in place. Utilization during the critical growth period should not exceed 35 percent under any circumstances.

- Place salt and supplements at least 0.5 mile away from winterfat dominated sites. Base placement on site-specific assessment and characteristics such as riparian, topography, cultural, special status species, etc.
- Locate sheep bedding grounds and camps at least 0.5 mile away from winterfat dominated sites. Base placement on site-specific assessment and characteristics such as riparian, topography, cultural, special status species, etc.
- Locate water haul sites at least 0.5 mile away from winterfat dominated sites. Base placement on site-specific assessment and characteristics such as riparian, topography, cultural, special status species, etc.
- Construct livestock reservoirs away from winterfat dominated sites. Base placement on site specific assessment and characteristics such as riparian, topography, cultural, special status species, etc.
- If water wells are approved to be drilled in winterfat dominated sites, strive to pipe the water at least 0.5 mile away from winterfat dominated sites. Base placement on site-specific assessment and characteristics such as riparian, topography, cultural, special status species, etc.

1.15 Mineral Extraction

1.15.1 Applications for permit to drill would follow the best management practices as outlined in the BLM oil and gas Gold Book (http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/energy/oil_and_gas/best_management_practices/gold_book.html), as well as on-shore regulations, individual surface use plans, and conditions of approval that may be part of the Record of Decision for EISs or Decision Records for environmental assessments/Findings of No Significant Impacts, Documentation of NEPA Adequacy, and Categorical Exclusions prepared for site-specific projects.

1.15.2 Do not permit blasting if it would be detrimental to the significant characteristics of archeological or historical values, recreation areas, known caves, water wells, or springs.

1.15.3 Notify the BLM authorized officer within 5 days of completion of reclamation work so that timely compliance inspections can be completed.

1.16 Watershed Management

1.16.1 Manage activities, uses, and authorizations on burned areas to best meet resource management objectives established for the area in specific stabilization, restoration, or activity plans. The BLM authorized officer may open areas to livestock grazing based upon those considerations.

1.17 Fire Management

1.17.1 Notify valid existing land users (such as mine claimants, holders of rights-of-way, and livestock permittees) prior to implementation of prescribed fires that may affect their investments.

1.17.2 Remove vegetation, where appropriate, to protect facilities (e.g., range improvements, communication sites, and recreation sites).

1.17.3 Within the area of operation, every effort will be made to prevent, control, or suppress any fire. Firefighting equipment may be required to be on site while operations are in progress, depending on hazards inherent in the type of operation and fire hazard levels. Report uncontrolled fires immediately to the BLM Ely Field Office Manager or Authorized Officer. The BLM Fire Dispatch telephone number is (775) 289-1925 or 1-800-633-6092. After working hours, call 911 or the White Pine County Sheriff's Office at (775) 289-8801, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office at (775) 962 5151, or the Nye County Sheriff's Office at (775) 482-8101.

1.18 Noxious and Invasive Weed Management

1.18.1 Control or restrict the timing of livestock movement to minimize the transport of livestock-borne noxious weed seeds, roots, or rhizomes between weed-infested and weed-free areas.

1.18.2 When maintaining unpaved roads on BLM-administered lands, avoid the unnecessary disturbance of adjacent native vegetation and the spread of weeds. Grade road shoulders or barrow ditches only when necessary to provide for adequate drainage. Minimize the width of grading operations. The BLM Authorized Officer will meet with equipment operators to ensure that they understand this objective.

1.19 Health and Safety

1.19.1 Consider nozzle type, nozzle size, boom pressure, and adjuvant use and take appropriate measures for each herbicide application project to reduce the chance of chemical drift.

1.19.2 All applications of approved pesticides will be conducted only by certified pesticide applicators or by personnel under the direct supervision of a certified applicator.

1.19.3 Prior to commencing any chemical control program, and on a daily basis for the duration of the project, the certified applicator will provide a suitable safety briefing to all personnel working with or in the vicinity of the herbicide application. This briefing will include safe handling, spill prevention, cleanup, and first aid procedures.

1.19.4 Store all pesticides in areas where access can be controlled to prevent unauthorized/untrained people from gaining access to the chemicals.

1.19.5 Do not apply pesticides within 440 yards (0.25 mile) of residences without prior notification of the resident.

1.19.6 Areas treated with pesticides will be adequately posted to notify the public of the activity and of safe re-entry dates, if a public notification requirement is specified on the label of the product applied. The public notice signs will be at least 8 1/2" x 11" in size and will contain the date of application and the date of safe re-entry.

1.19.7 The recreation permittee will post warning signs at all known mine shafts and other hazardous areas that occur within 100 feet of a race course or pit/spectator area and will verbally inform race participants of all hazards at the pre-race meeting.

1.19.8 The recreation permittee will assume liability for and cleanup of any and all releases of hazardous substances or oil (more than one quart) disposed on public land as defined in the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan (Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Subpart 300). The permittee will immediately notify the BLM Authorized Officer of any and all releases of hazardous substances or oil (more than one quart) on public land.

1.19.9 Properly dispose of all tailings, dumps, and deleterious materials or substances. Take measures to isolate, control, and properly dispose of toxic and hazardous materials.

1.19.10 Remove and properly dispose of all trash, garbage, debris, and foreign matter. Maintain the disposal site and leave it in a clean and safe condition. Do not allow burning at the site.

1.19.11 Do not drain oil or lubricants onto the ground surface. Immediately clean up any spills under 25 gallons; clean up spills over 25 gallons as soon as possible and report the incident to the BLM Authorized Officer and Nevada Division of Environmental Protection.

1.19.12 The operator will work with the BLM Authorized Officer on the containment of drilling fluids and drill hole cuttings. Adequately fence, post, or cover mud and separation pits, and hazardous material storage areas.

1.19.13 Locate powder magazines at least 0.25 mile from traveled roads. Attend loaded shot holes and charges at all times. Use explosives according to applicable federal and state regulations.

1.19.14 Containerize petroleum products such as gasoline, diesel fuel, helicopter fuel, and lubricants in approved containers. Properly store hazardous materials in separate containers to prevent mixing, drainage, or accidents.