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Attached please find a copy of the comments received through the Nevada State Clearinghouse for the proposed updates to the Rangeland Management Directives #ORMS-2514. If you have any questions or would like any additional information about these comments please feel free to contact me.

Thank You,

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