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Comments: Dear BHNF,

Your decision failed to consider the population of Sage Grouse and impacts upon that threatened population on the BHNF. There is a significant number of birds (Greater Sage Grouse) on Bighorn N.F., especially on the west slope. To proceed with this decision without current, updated population counts and specific knowledge on locations of importance to Grouse is contrary to best practices and forest management.

I support the Control of annual grasses to maintain quality rangelands. However, attempting to mistakenly reach forage production objectives at the expense of other critical resources, especially species that may be added to T&E listings is wrong headed. I urge BHNF to maintain only current levels of sagebrush controls, and only with thorough research of areas to be treated to assure no impact to Greater sage Grouse.

Thank You.

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