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Challis Ranger District
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Challis, ID 83226

File Code: 2230

Date: June 14, 2002

Salmon River Ranches, LTD. CO.
C/O Eric Matson
PO Box 1101
Challis ID 83226

Dear Eric,

In accordance with your request for nonuse I am approving nonuse for 77 mature cattle from 5/25 – 10/15 during the 2002-grazing season for resource protection.

This is your first documented year of non-use for resource protection on the Lime Gulch C&H allotment. Non-use or partial non-use has been granted due to dry conditions for the past few years and the current draught situation and or lack of adequate water facilities on the Lime Gulch allotment.

You are still responsible for your designated share of maintenance and or development of range improvements while in a nonuse status.

Should you consider waiving your permit while in non-use for resource protection, you can either sell your base property or cattle to a party for consideration as a preferred applicant.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mike Foster

MIKE FOSTER
Acting District Ranger

Cc: Richard and Chirstine Schowengerdt
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