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To: Nevada Legislature's Public Lands Committee

From: N-4 State Grazing Board

We want to continue acting as responsible stewards of our private and public land right here. We are the practicing environmentalists. **Purchase** is not mitigation.

Mitigation recently learned Adaptive Management Program to get everyone involved, what works, make changes along the way. Essential to include specialized knowledge of the rancher in all phases of Mitigation from design, costs, performance standards, maintenance

Life cycle plan and costs, budgets, politics, science likely to make changes to plan

Questionable methods to calculate **AUM losses**, allotment management plans

Imminent domain – hanging over our heads, Fallinis gave DOE rep tour of holdings Reveille allotment Nye County and how the proposed route would devastate their property and operations. 15 livestock waters also serve wildlife, birds, small mammals, etc. these waters have extensive and costly developments including wells, springs, reservoirs, pipelines, storage tanks, troughs, and corrals. These are permitted and many vest rights prior to 1906 and every one is base property considered private property holdings by the State Engineer. The proposed railroad route plows right through all of them. The DOE rep finished up the tour with Fallinis by telling them he had not known there were any developments out there belonging to the rancher, but "you know we have the power of eminent domain". A direct and onerous threat.

Constitutional issue that requires DOE to get State Legislative approval to occupy or use public lands. We ask that you discourage any such move on the part of DOE.

Every interest group is impacted by **access** issue

CAS Feb 20, 2004, do not qualify, Jan. 10, 2008 EIS comments no written answer Summerson Larson denied because state's opposition

Eccles option, one major private property owner impacted, less than Caliente option

BLM **right of way** grant, add strong **conditions** to assure mitigations, We are ready willing and able. N-4 asks for participation and a seat at the table all along the way on this project, however far or near it goes or stops.

<p>EXHIBIT F - LANDS Document consists of 1 page. Entire Exhibit Provided Meeting Date: 03-07-08</p>
