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RELATIONSHIP WITH BLM

Lyon County has worked for over three years with BLM to determine which BLM lands within Lyon County should become designated as disposable lands and which lands should remain open space under management of BLM. Lyon County setup an open space committee to determine just that.

Working in close relationship with John Singlaub and Chuck Pope of the BLM, we came to an agreement on a BLM disposable land map for Lyon County and the Lyon County Board of Commissioner's approved that map, as well as the BLM.

We have created a Lyon County Lands Bill

Working closely with Bob Abby, John Singlaub, and Chuck Pope of BLM. Lyon County has worked hard with BLM to put together a lands bill that would set aside some of those designated disposable lands in the Mound House, Dayton, and Silver Springs area to be sold at auction to the highest bidder to generate funds for a National Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Center in Mound House that has been designated by the BLM as the best location in the state.

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This bill takes funds raised from BLM lands sold within Lyon County, “and used in Lyon County” to help BLM finance the WH&B center as well as helping fund the V&T Railroad while at the same time helping the Nevada Department of Agriculture and the BLM to have a place to adopt out these animals, that as you know have become a problem.

What this brings as a benefit to not only Lyon County, but to all of Northwest Nevada is an enhanced tourism attraction, which combines the WH&B Center, and the V&T Railroad as a place to visit while coming to Nevada, not to mention the economic development boost to the area.

Within the Lyon County Lands Bill, one of the primary goals is to designate a number of BLM administered parcels to be conveyed to Lyon County, Nevada. Since Lyon County is the fastest growing county in Nevada this action will enable the county to construct, and operate needed facilities such as schools, fire stations, safety complexes, animal shelters, parks, utilities and wastewater effluent treatment sites in critical locations throughout the county. The act also includes provisions for the creations of affordable housing

projects, addressing a significant concern throughout the county, and also a site for a US postal service main distribution center. This act has been approved by Lyon County and has the approval of Bob Abby of BLM, Governor Kenny Guinn, Senator Ensign, Senator Reid, and Congressman Jim Gibbons.

The Lyon County Lands Bill will be sponsored by Senator Ensign and will go to both the U.S. House and Senate at the same time either in October 2004 or January 2005, just after the Lincoln County Lands Bill.

The sale of disposable lands in Lyon County will generate funds as follows:

\$10,000,000.00 to construct the adoption center

\$ 5,000,000.00 as an endowment for the center to keep it open.

\$ 2,000,000.00 to the V&T Railroad reconstruction committee.

\$ 5 - \$10,000,000.00 to Nevada Schools.

Note: All remaining BLM lands on the disposable list in Lyon County will go through the regular process to acquire and will have to be approved by both the BLM and Lyon County.

SHOW MAP.