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Congressional Requesters

Sixteen Senators asked GAO to review a January 1992 report by a Nevada consulting firm entitled A Technical Review of U.S. General Accounting Office Rangeland Management and Public Rangelands Reports 1988-1990 and respond to the report's critique of three GAO reports, two of which were issued in June 1988 and one of which was issued in August 1990.¹ We have provided our views on the validity of the consulting firm's critique in separate correspondence to the requesters.² The requesters also asked for the titles of the documents we reviewed and the names of the individuals we contacted in preparing our reports. This letter responds to that request. The names of the 16 Senators who requested this information are listed at the end of this letter.

Our efforts to identify the specific documents reviewed and individuals contacted during our reviews were complicated by the length of time since the reports were issued. Under GAO's general policy, workpapers are normally retained for 3 years after the review is completed.

The workpapers on our reports on declining and overstocked allotments (GAO/RCED-88-80) and the federal wild horse program (GAO/RCED-90-110) were still available at the time we received the request. For these two reports, we are providing a complete list of the reports, studies, judicial opinions, manuals, and agency plans that we reviewed. In

¹Rangeland Management: More Emphasis Needed on Declining and Overstocked Grazing Allotments (GAO/RCED-88-80, June 10, 1988), Public Rangelands: Some Riparian Areas Restored but Widespread Improvement Will Be Slow (GAO/RCED-88-105, June 30, 1988), and Rangeland Management: Improvements Needed in Federal Wild Horse Program (GAO/RCED-90-110, Aug. 20, 1990).

²Rangeland Management: Assessment of Nevada Consulting Firm's Critique of Three GAO Reports (GAO/RCED-92-178R, May 4, 1992).

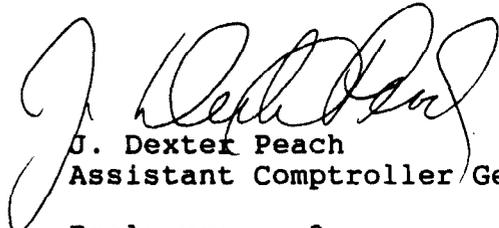
GAO/RCED-92-193R Contacts and Documents Reviewed

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addition, we examined numerous pieces of correspondence and other materials contained in agency files that are not listed. We also are providing the names of the individuals present at our meetings as we recorded them in our write-ups of the meetings. The titles and organizations associated with the listed officials indicate their organizational affiliation at the time of our review. Since our report on declining and overstocked allotments was based substantially on almost 800 responses to questionnaires from federal range managers directly responsible for specific grazing allotments, follow-up contacts on that report were limited largely to the responsible federal land managing agencies.

The workpapers relating to our report on riparian area restoration (GAO/RCED-88-105) were destroyed, except for a number of background documents that we retained for possible use during future reviews and an administrative record of the offices contacted during our review. Therefore, we are unable to provide the names of the individuals contacted during that review. However, we are able to provide a list of the available documents and the offices and organizations contacted.

Enclosure I lists the documents we reviewed in preparing each report. Enclosure II lists the individuals and/or offices we contacted during each review. We hope that the enclosed information meets your needs. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact either James Duffus III of my staff, on (202) 275-7756, or me, on (202) 275-3567.



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List of Requesters

The Honorable Hank Brown
The Honorable Richard H. Bryan
The Honorable Quentin N. Burdick
The Honorable Conrad Burns
The Honorable Kent Conrad
The Honorable Larry E. Craig
The Honorable Thomas A. Daschle
The Honorable Dennis DeConcini
The Honorable Pete V. Domenici
The Honorable Slade Gorton
The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch
The Honorable John McCain
The Honorable Bob Packwood
The Honorable Harry M. Reid
The Honorable Steve Symms
The Honorable Malcolm Wallop
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MANUALS, TECHNICAL REPORTS AND ARTICLES REVIEWED FOR
DECLINING AND OVERSTOCKED ALLOTMENTS REPORT
(GAO/RCED 88-80)

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