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*Regina Aumente John R. Tresner*

Printed Names

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Date *11/6/07*

If Organization

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Date

Nov 8, 07

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Printed Names

CHUCK JOHNSON

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Date 11/13/07

If Organization

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Printed Names

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Date 11-8-07 If Organization

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Date 11-7-07

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Oct 2 2007

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I also understand you are also in receipt of the Equine Eco-Tourism Plan developed by WHOA and presented in committee to our state legislators as well as to the State Tourism department.

With this letter I request the following of the Bureau of Land Management:

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- WHOA has successfully spoken for the Placitas community through their legislative work.
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- WHOA and its supporters will continue to be an excellent resource of volunteers for this 5000 acres.
- There is precedent for this request which includes The Northwest Colorado Stewardship (NWCOS) gaining Cooperative Agency status in their RMP

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Sincerely,

Melaine Farrabee, Developer + AptHC National Director  
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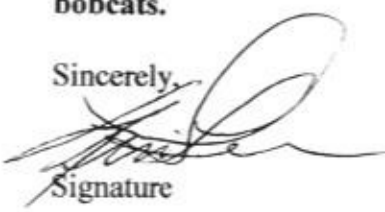
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BLM Stakeholder (multiple acreage adjoining BLM)  
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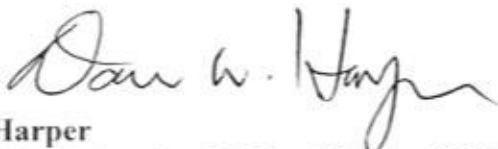
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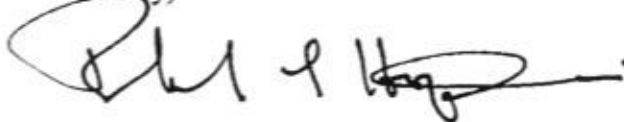
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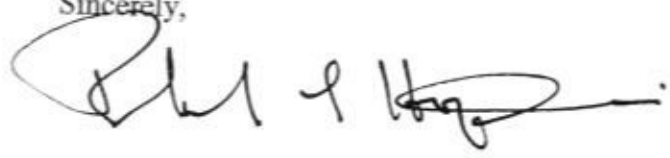
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