

Virginia Range North Fence

1620

Toll Rd

E

18N 20E

Sierra Front
Field Office

17N 20E

STEAMBOAT
VALLEY

Steamboat

33

E County Road 34

34

Toll Rd

Kivett Ln

Pinion Dr

5012 ft

Rhodes Rd

Andrew Ln

5898 ft

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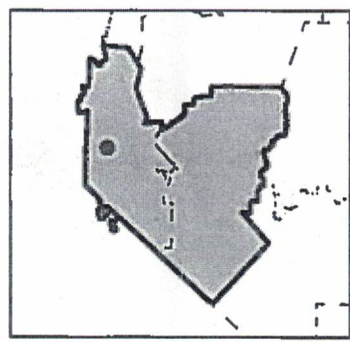
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DECISION RECORD
for Virginia Range North Fence
DOI-BLM-NV-C020-2025-0018-CX
2/27/2025

I. DECISION

The Nevada Division of Agriculture (NDA) will proceed with the construction of a new fence extending 4 miles on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land in the Virginia Range area, Washoe County, Nevada. This Project aims to enhance public safety and support animal welfare by preventing wild horses from entering adjacent housing communities.

The selected action is the proposed action outlined in the Categorical Exclusion (CX) for the 4-mile fence project. The fence will be a 4-strand wire fence constructed to NRS 569.431 standards for the requested 4 mile by 30-foot-wide Right-of-Way (ROW). This action effectively addresses the objectives established for both public safety and wildlife management.

The NDA will implement the project in accordance with all regulatory requirements, ensuring effective assessment and community engagement throughout the process to align with public and environmental interest.

A. Monitoring

BLM will conduct regular compliance inspections during the construction and operation phases of the project. These inspections will verify adherence to all grant and mitigation measures. Terms and Conditions will be enforced that require adherence measures. Compliance with these Terms and Conditions will be monitored through routine reporting and inspections.

II. COMPLIANCE AND CONFORMANCE

The proposed action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.9. This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there is no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The proposed action has been reviewed and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 40 CFR 1501.4, 43 CFR 46.205 and 46.215 apply.

III. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Tribal Notification Letters were sent to effective tribes and no comments were made on the project. No other public involvement was necessary for this CX project.

IV. RATIONALE FOR DECISION

Based on the analysis of the Virginia Range North Fence, found in CX # DOI-BLM-NV-C020-2025-0018-CX, it is my decision to implement the Virginia Range North Fence Project, as identified in the CX document.

Upon analyzing the impacts of the proposed action and interdisciplinary review of the action, I have determined that implementing the proposal will not have significant impact of the human environment and further environment analysis is not required.

I have reviewed the proposed project for conformance with the Carson City Consolidated Resource Management Plan (CRMP) of 2001 have determined that the CX is adequate for this proposal.

I have reviewed the project and determined that the proposed action is categorically excluded under:

516 DM 11.11 K.1: Department of Energy, 10 CFR 1021(D) (Appendix B)(B1)(11), as adopted in 90 FR 4774. FENCING. Installation of fencing, including, but not limited to border marking, that would not have the potential to significantly impede wildlife population movement (including migration) or surface water flow.

None of the exceptions found in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2 apply to this action as determined through the BLM Interdisciplinary Team review stated in the CX document.

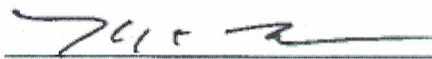
This Decision is in conformance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) (NEPA) as amended (72 USC 4321 et.seq.); the CRMP of 2001, and current BLM policies, plans and programs.

The Virginia Range North Fence Project, DOI-BLM-NV-C020-2025-0018-CX is approved for implementation. This decision is effect upon issuance in accordance with Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 1501.3 and 4160.3.

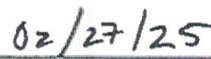
V. RIGHT OF PROTEST AND/OR APPEAL:

If you wish to appeal this decision, it may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals in accordance with 43 CFT Part 4 and the enclosed Form 1842-1.

VI. APPROVAL



Kevin Kunkel, Sierra Front Field Manager (Acting)



Date

ATTACHMENTS: Project Map