Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

4600 Giant Springs Rd.
Great Falls, MT 59405

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Dear Interested Party,

This letter is to notify you that I have made a decision regarding the proposed 160-acre grazing lease renewal on the Beartooth Wildlife Management Area (WMA) with Voegele's Inc. My decision is to move forward with the proposed action and to renew the lease. The 3-year grazing lease will allow cattle to continue to be utilized as a management tool to enhance the availability and palatability of forage for elk and mule deer on that portion of the WMA.

A draft Environmental Assessment (EA) on the proposed grazing lease was available for public comment for 21 days (March 1-20, 2011). One public comment was received on the draft EA, supporting the project. No modifications were made to the draft EA after the public review process. Therefore, the draft EA will now be considered final.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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