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Jeff Burgess  
1922 East Iron Street  
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Dear Mr. Burgess:

I would like to congratulate you on your appointment by the Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC) as a member of the Phoenix/Yuma Rangeland Resource Team. This appointment is for a one-year term until July 9, 1999. Members can be reappointed for a second term based on their interest and RAC approval. The RAC is still seeking members to represent Native American tribal interest and an elected official from the local area. The members of this Rangeland Resource Team and their areas of representation are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Basillo F. Aja	Livestock Grazing
Dick Willcox	Commercial Recreation
George B. Rule	UA Extension Service
Richard A. Wertz	Recreation
Richard T. Conant	Soils/Botany
Gabriel Zinsli	Public at Large
Bob Bentley	Recreation/Equestrian
Jeff Burgess	Environmentalist

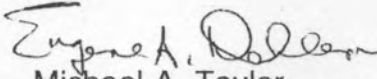
As a team member you will provide local level input along with sending recommendations on assessments to the RAC for Standards of Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Grazing Administration (S&G's). The Rangeland Resource Team will be working with an interdisciplinary team of technical specialists formed by Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The interdisciplinary team will consist of all specialists necessary to provide insight on local management issues, gather and analyze data for S&G assessments and develop recommendations to aid in the decision making process.

I have enclosed a copy of the "Arizona Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Grazing Administration" which explains the criteria that will be used to determine whether or not current management of an area is meeting the standards.

You will be contacted in the near future to set up a schedule for beginning this project. As a reminder, members of the Rangeland Resource Team serve in a volunteer capacity and must bear their own expenses. The first allotment to be assessed will be the Cordes and/or the Horseshoe Ranch, located approximately 35 miles north of Phoenix. The BLM's Interdisciplinary team looks forward to working with you as a Rangeland Resource Team member on these assessments.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Renewable Resources Program Manager, Gene Dahlem at (602) 580-5525 or Rangeland Management Specialist, Lee Higgins at (602) 580-5565. Thank you for your interest and participation in public lands resource management.

Sincerely,

  
Michael A. Taylor  
Field Manager

Enclosure

cc: Carol Anderson, Chairperson, Arizona RAC  
Glendon E. Collins, RAC Representative, PFO  
Kenneth E. Baker, RAC Representative, PFO