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Mr. Stephen L. Gunzel  
District Ranger  
Tonto National Forest  
Payson Ranger District  
1009 E. Highway 260  
Payson, AZ 85541

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Dear Mr. Gunzel:

On June 23, 1989 the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) received your biological evaluation for the Bull Springs Allotment Management Plan (AMP). The biological evaluation concluded that this AMP would beneficially affect the bald eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus) and peregrine falcon (Falco peregrinus anatum) by improving the habitat on which these species depend. The evaluation also concludes that the AMP would have no affect on Colorado squawfish (Ptychocheilus lucius), Arizona cliffrose (Cowania subintegra), and Arizona agave (Agave arizonica), because current surveys indicate that these species do not occur on the allotment. The Service concurs with your conclusions on the effects of this AMP on these species.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Sue Rutman or me (Telephone: 602/261-4720 or FTS 261-4720).

Sincerely,

Sam F. Spiller  
Field Supervisor

cc: L Forest Supervisor, Tonto National Forest, Phoenix, Arizona  
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