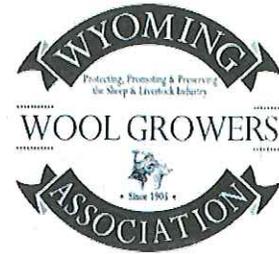


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Patricia O'Conner  
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Dear Tricia:

We first want to thank you for getting many of the interest groups together to discuss opportunities to move forward on the issue of vacant allotments. While reaching a consensus on a path forward will be difficult, we support keeping an open dialogue.

Throughout our discussions over the past two years the issue of the impact of language in the B-T Forest Plan related to the Darby Mountain Big Horn Sheep population continues to arise. While we do not fully concur with your interpretation of the plan language, we do recognize that it will be an obstacle to moving forward with making vacant or forage reserve allotments available for use by domestic sheep.

We recognize that the B-T is preparing to initiate a forest plan revision. However, the timing of the actual commencement of plan revision and the time needed for completion of the revision remain elusive. Meanwhile, the current plan language is serving as an obstacle to having the Forest aligned with the Wyoming Big Horn/Domestic Sheep Plan which the USFS has agreed to consider in its management decisions.

In view of the above factors, the Wyoming Stock Growers Association and Wyoming Wool Growers Association hereby formally requests that the B-T initiate a forest plan amendment at this time regarding the Darby Mountain Big Horn Sheep provisions.

We look forward to working with you to move the plan amendment process forward in an expeditious manner. Perhaps we can discuss this further at our partnership event next week. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Jim Magagna in black ink.

Jim Magagna  
Executive Vice President  
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Handwritten signature of Amy Hendrickson in black ink.

Amy Hendrickson  
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Wyoming Wool Growers Association