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Attention: Susan C. Linner - Reclamation Biologist

RE: Letter of July 10, 1981 - Overland Conveyor Plan

Dear Susan,

In reply to your letter of July 10, the issue of the overland conveyor to a large degree is history. Mr. Larry Dalton of U.D.W.R. has determined that (1) the overland conveyor does not pose an obstacle to wildlife and (2) any work done to facilitate deer movement is in the realm of enhancement. As far as those areas (3 crossings) in which we undertook enhancement efforts, they were determined to be preferred crossing points by the U.D.W.R. and are in line with frequently used game trails. Mr. Dalton personally flagged and designated those points on the ground with me on July 6, 1981. On July 7, 1981, a program of transplanting mature 5' to 10' shrubs was undertaken. The species in place are Amelanchier Alnifolia, Artemisia Cana, Cercocarpus Ledifolius, Quercus Gambelii. In addition to these, there are a variety of small forbs and grasses that remained in place during transplanting.

This fall we are planning a hydro-mulch operation where the following species and the rates of application will be placed with a Tackafier and 2000 lb. of conweb mulch. The species and rate of application are as follows:

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>POUNDS PER ACRE</u>
Grasses:	
Fairway Crested Wheatgrass	2
Smooth Brome (Southern Strains)	2
Intermediate Wheatgrass	2
Pubescent Wheatgrass	2
Bluestem Wheatgrass	1
Orchardgrass	1
Russian Wildrye	1
Tall Oatgrass	1
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Forbs:	
Alfalfa (Nomad, Rambler, Travols, Ladak- equal parts)	2
Chickpea Milkvetch	1
Yellow Sweetclover	1
Arrowleaf Balsamroot	1
Pacific Aster	1
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<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>POUNDS PER ACRE</u>
Shrubs:	
Rubber Rabbitbrush	1/2
Douglas Rabbitbrush	1/2
Big Sagebrush	1/2
Fourwing Saltbush	1
	<u>2-1/2</u>
Shrubs for pits, major disturbance areas, cleat marks, and drilled areas:	
Anatelope Bitterbrush	2
Golden Currant	1/2
Birchleaf Mountain Mahogany	1/2
Curleaf Mountain Mahogany	1/2
Cliffrose	1/2
Green Ephedra	1/2
Fourwing Saltbush	1
Woods Rose	1/2
Saskatoon Serviceberry	1
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This is the recommended seed mixtures that will benefit wildlife through enhancement of shrubland habitats of the Montane Ecological Association, as prescribed by U.D.W.R. however, is subject to B.L.M. modification.

The above may be enhanced further with a hand planting effort on problem areas. The species will be determined by individual site and availability of nursery stock.

The belt has been lifted to facilitate crossing and additional work may be done in the event U.D.W.R. feels it would be of added value.

Sincerely,

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