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Date: December 9, 2009

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Director
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Dear Mr. Carter:

This is my decision on the appeal you filed on behalf of Western Watersheds Project, regarding the Franklin Basin Allotment Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact signed by Jennefer Parker, the Logan District Ranger of the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest.

My review of your appeal was conducted pursuant to, and in accordance with, 36 CFR 215.18. My review focused on the project documentation and the issues raised in your appeal. I specifically incorporate in this decision the appeal record, the references and citations in the project record transmittal documentation, as well as the Appeal Reviewing Officer (ARO) analysis and recommendation.

After considering your issues and the project documentation, the ARO recommends the District Ranger decision be reversed. A copy of the recommendation is enclosed.

After careful consideration of the above factors, I agree with the ARO that the decision needs to more clearly define how the 500 acres of unsatisfactory rangeland will move toward a satisfactory condition.

I reverse the District Ranger's decision to implement the Franklin Basin Allotment Project. My decision constitutes the final administrative determination of the Department of Agriculture [36 CFR 215.18(c)].

Sincerely,

BRIAN FEREBEE
Forest Supervisor

cc: Brian Ferebee

