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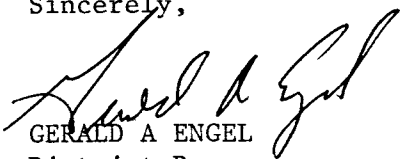
Mr. August (Gus) L. Hormay
Range Management Consultant
101 Arcadia Street
San Francisco, California 94131

Dear Mr. Hormay:

Enclosed is some information on rest-rotation grazing on the Mimbres Ranger District, Gila National Forest, New Mexico. We apologize for being late with this information, but hopefully some of it will be useful to you.

In 1970, 1971, 1972, and 1974 during early phase of rest rotation on most allotments spring and early summer were very dry and in many cases gates had to be open due to lack of water. This was actually beneficial in selling the system to many ranchers as they found out the Forest Service would be flexible. When rains came permittees went back on rotation schedule. Combined with a wet cycle of years vegetative response has been good. Since 1974, except for minor deviation, we have been able to stick close to schedules. On a few allotments in the spring of 1980 we had to open gates due to lack of water. Due to the very rough nature of much of our country and lack of manpower or finances more sophisticated management systems have not been tried on all of our allotments.

Sincerely,


GERALD A ENGEL
District Ranger

Enclosure



VEGETATION EDUCATION AND ENHANCEMENT GROUP, INC.
1330 West Gold
Butte, MT

March 15, 1988

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Dear Director:

Initially it was felt that VEG, Inc. would primarily function to promote sound vegetation management with the actual on-the-ground conduct of the project being the responsibility of those people in charge of an area's land management. It now appears that VEG, Inc. might be offered contracts to design, implement and oversee the actual conduct of these projects. Some of the contracts could originate with the State of Montana, which would make it awkward for certain state employees to serve on our Board of Directors.

In our efforts to hasten the process of incorporation, all prospective directors were listed with the intent to delete some names prior to actual filing for incorporation. Unfortunately Mr. Jim Flynn, Director of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, indicated he would not be able to serve on our board. Through oversight, his name is listed in the Articles of Incorporation and must now be removed by majority approval of the remaining directors. In order to file an amendment of the articles, I will need a written concurrence from each of you. Such a letter is enclosed for your convenience. Please read through it, sign, and return to me in the enclosed, stamped envelope as quickly as possible.

In the near future you will receive a draft bylaws for review and comment. At this time we anticipate the organizational meeting occurring sometime in June. Joe and I will be in touch with each of you to firm up arrangements. In the interim, thank you for helping me resolve this issue.

With best regards,

Ruth

Ruth Frisina, Director

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