

**United States  
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**Forest  
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**Intermountain  
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**324 25th Street  
Ogden, UT 84401-2310**

File Code: 1570-1  
#98-04-00-0139

Date: August 27, 1998

Mr. Matt Holford  
Chairman  
Trout Unlimited Nevada Council  
P.O. Box 5882  
Elko, NV 89803

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Re: Appeal #98-04-00-0139 of District Ranger Scott Bell's Decision Approving Supplement #1 to the Smith Creek Exploration Project on the Mountain City District of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

Dear Mr. Holford:

We received the August 20 appeal you filed on behalf of Trout Unlimited regarding District Ranger Scott Bell's decision to approve Supplement #I to the Smith Creek Exploration Project on the Mountain City District of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. We also received your August 24 letter withdrawing the appeal. Since you have withdrawn the appeal, it is dismissed without further review.

We appreciate your interest in the management of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest and encourage you to continue to provide comments/concerns to Forest Service staff members.

This is the final administrative decision of the United States Department of Agriculture as provided under 36 CFR 215.

Sincerely,

/s/ Donald W. Murphy

**JACK G. TROYER**  
Appeal Deciding Officer  
Deputy Regional Forester

