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Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests and Mining
Concerning

**S. 1046 – Eastern Nevada Economic Development and Land Management Improvement
Act of 2018**

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Chairman Lee, Ranking Member Wyden, members of the Subcommittee, thank you for the opportunity to present the views of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regarding S. 1046 – Eastern Nevada Economic Development and Land Management Improvement Act of 2018. I am Glenn Casamassa, Associate Deputy Chief for the National Forest System (NFS), USDA Forest Service.

Section 3 of S. 1046 affects National Forest System lands on the Humbolt-Toiyabe National Forest in the State of Nevada. USDA defers to the Department of the Interior for its views on the other provisions of S. 1046.

USDA supports section 3, which would adjust the boundaries of the Mt. Moriah Wilderness, High Schells Wilderness, and Arc Dome Wilderness on National Forest System lands to correct mapping errors associated with the original designations. We would like to work with the Committee to make technical changes to the bill to effectuate the boundary adjustments.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify on this bill and I look forward to your questions at the appropriate time.