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## **HUNTERS / RECREATIONISTS REMINDED OF GATE 'COURTESY'**

Hunters and recreationists are asked to leave gates as you find them while traveling on and enjoying public lands in northeastern Nevada.

BLM Elko Field Manager Helen Hankins remarked, "It's part of Western courtesy to close gates after you open and drive through them, or to leave them open if that's how they were. Livestock operators pay fees to graze their livestock on public land and often have substantial investments in fences and gates. Grazing allotments are divided into pastures controlled by fences and gates and that's why it's important to leave gates as you find them."

"With the checkerboard land pattern, public and private land is interspersed. When encountering fenced and/or posted land, always check with the land owner for permission before traveling on private land. It's always good to know where you're at and whether land is public or private. Land status maps are for sale at any BLM office in Nevada and are \$4 each."

Hankins concluded, "If people see any cut or damaged fence or range improvements, we ask that you report the damage to BLM at (775) 753-0200. Have a safe, successful hunting season."

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