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Nevada Farm Bureau Testimony

S.B. 5

Senate Finance Committee

February 24, 2003

Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, for the record my name is Doug Busselman. I am the Executive Vice President of the Nevada Farm Bureau.

We are here today to speak in favor of S.B. 5 and the appropriations of fund to be used by the Legislative Committee on Public Lands.

Our organizational policy, states its support for the establishment of federal and state rangeland restoration funds, offering matching fund grants to implement on-the-ground projects to restore or rehabilitate rangelands.

We believe that this objective can be accomplished by the passage and implementation of S.B. 5. Past experience with this type of program demonstrated that very worthwhile projects and programs could be accomplished through the cooperative funding of the state of Nevada and grants managed by the Committee on Public Lands.

We recognize the fiscal constraints that are required this legislative session, but also believe that appropriate investment, benefiting natural resource management in our state, warrants your attention and approval.

Thank you for this opportunity to share with you our support for passage of S.B. 5

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