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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

PROPOSED LAND ACQUISITION

File No.	<u>Year</u>	<u>Sequence</u>
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Region	Group	Number
PRIORITY GROUP		
A, B, FB, C, FC, D, FD		

Name of Proposed Acquisition Georgetown Summit Winter Range - (Bingham Ranch)

Location: 5 Bear Lake Georgetown, Idaho
(Region) (County) (Nearest Town)

Legal Description: Portions of Sect. 10, 15, 22, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35, of T. 10S, R 43 E B.M.

Long legal description and map are attached

Number of Acres: 1550 Asking Price: \$145,000.00

Resource or Activity Supported: (If more than one give rank, ie., P = Primary, S = Secondary)

Big Game (p) Upland Bird () Waterfowl () Fisheries () Hunting (S) Fishing ()
Access (S)

Explain how this acquisition will be in compliance with Department Policy and Regional Species Plans: This is key winter range for elk (about 200 head) and mule deer (300 head) in Units 75

76. This area has persistent and continuing depredation problem. Acquisition will allow the Department to work out exchange of use to relieve depredations.

Type of Recommended Acquisition: Fee Title (X) Easement () Lease () Other ()

Rationale for this type of acquisition: Big game winter range

Has Owner been contacted: No By Whom?

Is Owner willing to sell at appraised value? Yes (X) No () Unknown ()

Were other types of acquisition investigated and brought to the attention of Owner?
Yes () No (X) Comments _____

Will development be necessary to attain objectives of applicable species or WMA plans?
Yes (☒) No (☐) If yes, describe development needed: Development is minimal - Some

boundary fencing and reseedling of small ag. land

Has BA-24 (Acquisition Priority) been submitted to State Office? Yes () No (X)

Proposal Originator: Bill Laverne Date: 1-30-89

This property is in 2 parcels - one north of Highway 30 and the other south. It is foothill area, covered with mountain brush types - composed of sagebrush/serviceberry plant community. The north is joined on the east by national forest land and on the south and west by State Department of Lands property. The south parcel is the core winter range area south of Highway US30, is composed of the same vegetative type but goes to lower elevations.

This property also has a shared grazing lease on 900 acres of state land. Acquisition of this lease could provide us with some control of grazing on this acreage.

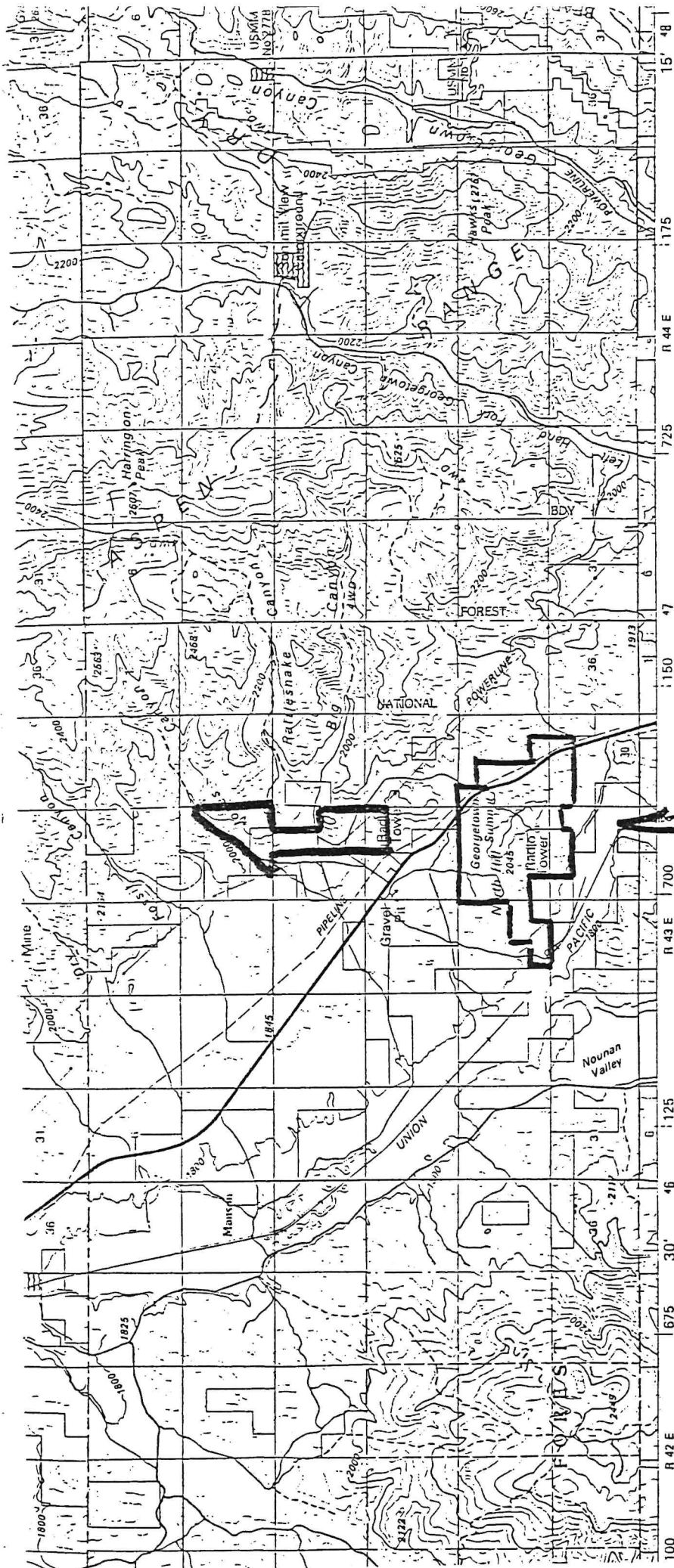
The area on Georgetown Summit has long been a winter range for big game. Recently the elk wintering on the area has increased and presently some 200 elk winter there.

Depredation

For 10-12 years the elk wintering on this site have caused depredation problems with an adjacent rancher - Mr. Carl Stoddard. We have provided supplemental feed on at least two occasions to keep animals out of Mr. Stoddard's sheep lambing operation. We believe there is a good possibility with this acquisition to work out exchange of use agreements and eliminate this depredation problem.

In Region 5 about 60% of the critical big game winter range is on private land. We have acquired some winter range south and east of this site (Montpelier WMA) and this would make a good addition.

We propose using HB530 money for the acquisition, and developing it with excess winter feeding funds as they become available.



SCALE 1:100 000

1 CENTIMETER ON THE MAP REPRESENTS 1 KILOMETER ON THE GROUND

CONTOUR INTERVAL 40 METERS

SUPPLEMENTARY CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 METERS

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

LAND STATUS LEGEND

Jones Land Use Lands

NONE

Bureau of Reclamation

NONE

NONE

Department of Energy (DOE)

NONE

NONE

NONE

State, County, City, Wildlife, Park and Outdoor Recreation Areas

NONE

Valley Authority

NONE

Power Withdrawals and Classifications

NONE

NONE

Oregon & California Lands (O&C Lands) Administered By US Forest Service

NONE

NONE

NONE

Acquired Lands (By Administering Agency)

NONE

Federal Agency Protective Withdrawals

NONE

Radio & Air Facilities

NONE

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Radio & Air Facilities

NONE

NONE

NONE

Miscellaneous

NONE

Public Water Reserves

NONE

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Miscellaneous

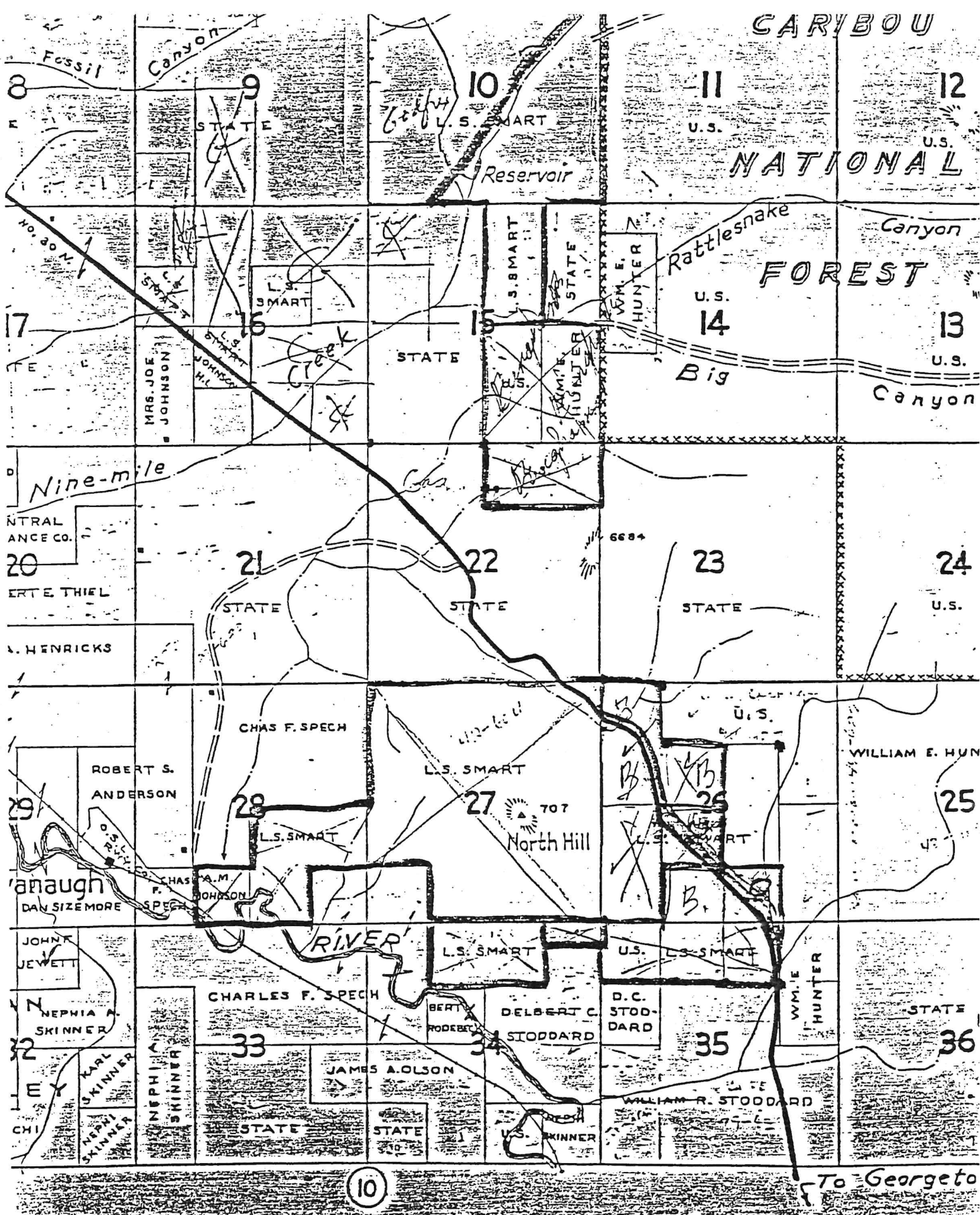
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Miscellaneous

NONE



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To Georgetown

EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

State of Idaho in Bear Lake County; T 10 S R 43 E of the B.M. Beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 10, and running thence West 3649 feet, more or less, to a point 1631 feet East of the Southwest Corner of said Section 10;

thence North 52° East 600 feet;
thence North $38^{\circ}45'$ East 1500 feet;
thence North 55° East 525 feet;
thence North 47° East 397 feet to point on Jones Canyon Road;
thence up canyon North $12^{\circ}30'$ East 618 feet;
thence North $40^{\circ}30'$ East 1228 feet;
thence North $57^{\circ}30'$ East 204 feet;
thence North 34° East 420 feet;
thence North $64^{\circ}15'$ East 140 feet to Forest Boundary on East line of said Section 10;

thence South along East section line to Southeast Corner, the point of beg.

Sec: 15: $W\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$ and $SE\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 22: $N\frac{1}{2}NE\frac{1}{4}$, EXCEPTIOG THEREFROM: Commencing at the NW Corner of Sec: 22; thence North $89^{\circ}56'$ East 2640 feet; thence South 1020 feet to the Northwest Corner of the herein described tract of land for the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 300 feet; thence North $89^{\circ}56'$ East 300 feet; thence North 300 feet; thence South $89^{\circ}56'$ West 300 feet to point of beginning.

Section 26: $W\frac{1}{2}SW\frac{1}{4}$, $W\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$, $SE\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$, and $NE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 27: EXCEPT $SW\frac{1}{2}SW\frac{1}{4}$

Section 28: $N\frac{1}{2}SE\frac{1}{4}$, $SW\frac{1}{4}SE\frac{1}{4}$, and $SE\frac{1}{4}SW\frac{1}{4}$, EXCEPTING THEREFROM: 50 feet Northeast and 50 feet Southwest of the center line of the Oregon Short Line Railway.

Section 34: $NW\frac{1}{4}NE\frac{1}{4}$, $NE\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, and the North 33 rods of $NE\frac{1}{4}NE\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 35: $N\frac{1}{2}NW\frac{1}{4}$ and $NW\frac{1}{4}NE\frac{1}{4}$.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the $NE\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$ Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 43 East, B.M.; thence Easterly along the South line of said $NE\frac{1}{4}NW\frac{1}{4}$, a distance of 8.0 feet, more or less, to a point in a line parallel with and 490.0 feet Northeasterly from the centerline of said U.S. Highway 30 N, Project N. F.I. - 65 (2) Highway Survey and being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence Southeasterly along said parallel line being 2,781.83 foot radius curve right 88.0 feet, more or less, to a point opposite station 777+00.0 of said Highway Survey; thence South $69^{\circ}05'57''$ West 400.00 feet to a point in a line parallel with and 90.0 feet Northeasterly from the centerline and opposite Station 777+00.0 of said Highway Survey; thence Norwesterly along said last parallel line being a 2381.83 foot radius curve left 727.49 feet to a point opposite Station 770+00.0 of said Highway Survey; thence North $51^{\circ}35'57''$ East 400.00 feet to a point in a line parallel with and 490.0 feet Northeasterly from the centerline and opposite Station 770+00.0 of said Highway Survey; thence Southeasterly along said last parallel line being a 2781.83 foot radius curve right 762.0 feet, more or less, to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO, all that portion of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter and the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 26; the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 35; all in Township 10 South, Range 43 East, B.M. in Idaho that lies Easterly of the right of way of the presently located Highway U.S. 30 N, which said right of way is described in that certain Deed recorded 21 September 1945 under recorder's file number 56320 in Book 39 of Deeds at Page 381 in the records of Bear Lake County, Idaho, and Westerly of the right of way of the old State Highway U.S. 30 N, which said line is established by the description in that certain Warranty Deed recorded 6 December 1954 under recorder's file number 69723 in Book 44 of Deeds at Page 627 in the records of Bear Lake County, Idaho.

ALSO: beginning at the Southwest Corner of Section 23, Township 10 South, Range 43 East, and running East 1300 feet; thence South 1360 feet; thence East 2640 feet; thence South 5280 feet; thence West 45 feet; thence along old State road North 16°30' West 1165 feet; thence North 41°20' West 714 feet; thence North 37° West 1200 feet; thence North 24°45' West 545 feet; thence North 63°10' West 600 feet; thence North 29°20' West 400 feet; thence North 8°10' West 300 feet; thence North 16°10' West 1500 feet; thence North 40°30' West 320 feet; thence North 37°50' West 1180 feet to place of beginning and containing 212.68 acres of land, more or less.

ALSO, commencing at a point that is 1346.13 feet South and 710.81 feet East of the Northwest Corner of Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 43 East, B.M. of Bear Lake County, Idaho, said point of beginning being located on the West right of way line U.S. Highway 30 N, and running thence Southeasterly along said right of way which follows a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 2291.83 feet, a distance of 50.0 feet, more or less; thence South 62°12' West 50.0 feet; thence North 27°48' West 50.0 feet; thence North 62°12' East 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

ALSO, EXCEPTING THEREFROM AND RESERVING UNTO GRANTOR, an undivided one-half (1/2) interest in the oil, gas, mineral, and geothermal rights appertaining thereto.