

nity lease would be required to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the governing body and approved by the Board of Commissioners, including the payment of fines or the forfeiture of leased privileges for violations, decisions as to the period of grazing use or reduction in use in accordance with the condition of the range, etc.

5. Each participating wateruser will run his own cattle and sheep on his own brand. Under no circumstances will the grazing rights be transferred, assigned, or in any way used by anyone other than the participating wateruser.

6. Midvale Irrigation District will not be liable for any losses or damage to cattle or sheep on the leased area nor will the District be liable to any person or property lost or damaged on the leased premises resulting from any activity conducted on the leased area.

7. The lease rental as tentatively proposed by the District is as follows:

a. \$4.00 per animal unit per year.

b. Each participating wateruser will be required to pay his proportionate share of the cost management, control and supervision of the community herds and leased premises in proportion to the number of irrigable acres he owns bears to the total number of irrigable acres participating in the community lease.

c. All lease rental payments and assessments for management shall be paid annually before use of the lease.

d. Participating waterusers will be required to pay on demand all fines or penalties assessed by the governing body for violations of rules and regulations established for the operation of the community lease.

8. A participating wateruser will not be required to run sheep or cows on the lease each year in order to maintain his lease rights but he must pay the annual rental and proportionate share of management's expense in order to preserve his lease privileges. Non-payment of lease rental and management expenses will automatically cause forfeiture of his lease privileges without notice.

9. The participating wateruser may transfer his rights in the community lease to the purchaser of his qualifying irrigable acres if (a) the purchaser becomes an actual Midvale resident wateruser, (b) the community lease is still in operation, and (c) the transfer of lease rights is approved by the Midvale Board of Commissioners.

10. Participating waterusers will comply with all leasing rules, regulations and policies of the Bureau of the Reclamation including all terms and conditions set out in Midvale's contact with the Bureau dated January 26, 1966.

11. The community lease shall be subject to cancellation and termination after reasonable notice to the governing body by the Midvale Board of Commissioners.

All Midvale resident waterusers who are interested in participating in a community herd arrangement for supplemental grazing must notify the Board of Commissioners *in writing* before January 30th, 1967. Mail your notice to Board of Commissioners, Midvale Irrigation District, Pavillion, Wyoming.

Respectfully yours,

CARL WELTY, *President*,
FRED ANGLIN, *Vice President*,
EDWARD L. BOGACZ, *Secretary-Treasurer*
(Board of Commissioners).

Mr. LONG. From personal knowledge of this land, it will be very difficult, if not impossible, for the farmers to administer this as grazing land. It will easily overgrazed.

Sustaining an annual production of forage so there will be no diminishment in the return will require careful and prudent management. Measures to properly administer these surplus lands to prevent overuse and overgrazing are obviously needed. The Bureau of Reclamation offered to let the Bureau of Land Management administer these lands several years ago. With these thoughts in mind, it seems evident that the land is surplus to the needs of the project. This being the case, why shouldn't the land be transferred to an agency of the Government which is familiar with the proper use of grazing land. High-level techniques and administrative procedures would be followed.