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Mr. Jeff Ruch
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Dear Mr. Ruch:

We are in receipt of your letter dated February 24, 2010 requesting an independent review of the operations at the National Bison Range Complex in Montana. Our Office of Audits, Inspections, and Evaluations will conduct an independent evaluation of the operations at the National Bison Range. Should we identify any violations of law, regulation, or policy, we will certainly refer such information to the appropriate enforcement or programmatic authority.

We will forward our findings to you when our evaluation is completed. Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Kendall

Acting Inspector General

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