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Dear Mr. Parker:

This letter serves to acknowledge receipt of your petition requesting correction of information disseminated by the Forest Service regarding the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher. Your petition, postmarked March 25, 2003, was submitted under the United States Department of Agriculture's Information Quality Guidelines.

We are currently in the process of going through your petition to correct the "Guidance Criteria for Determining the Effects of On-Going Grazing and Issuing Term Grazing Permits on Selected Threatened and Endangered Species, and Species Proposed for Listing and Proposed and Designated Critical Habitat." This guidance was developed by our Southwest Regional Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants staff and dated April 15, 2002. Although your petition has been forwarded to the appropriate organization within the agency, we will need additional time to respond more thoroughly. Therefore, you can expect a response by June 30, 2003.

If you should have additional questions, please contact Glen Contreras, Data Quality Team Leader, at 202-205-2938, or [gcontreras@fs.fed.us](mailto:gcontreras@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

*/s/ THELMA J. STRONG*  
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