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1). Elaboration upon the meaning of, and context for, the words to “Up by Kern River” can be found on pages 321-334 of Western Turf Wars: the Politics of Public Lands Ranching, Mike Hudak, 2007

2). Concerning “Cowbird in the Nest”, the first verse generally covers issues related to high elevation meadow livestock grazing in the Golden Trout Wilderness in California (see Note 1 above). The second verse generally addresses issues related to sheep grazing in the western Mojave Desert, especially on the very large BLM Cantil Commons Allotment. The third verse very generally addresses the politics concerning livestock grazing on sagebrush/sage grouse habitat throughout the west, especially in the states of Idaho and Wyoming.