

Gallo Mountain Annual Operating Instructions

Quemado Ranger District

2007 Annual Operating Plan/Instructions
(4/02/2007)

Permittee: Skousen Ranch c/o James Heap

Permit Number: 06-1145

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers:

Permitted	From	To	AUMs	Type
433 yearlings	5/15	10/15	1556	Term

2007 Annual Authorization:

Authorized	From	To	AUMs
433 yearlings	5/15	10/15	1556

Pasture Rotation 2007:

PASTURE	START DATE	END DATE	NUMBER	Allowable Use
Gallito	5/15	7/15	433	35%
Negro Spring	7/16	9/15	433	35%
Headwater	9/16	10/15	433	35%

Allowable Use:

The 1999 Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice identified 35% as the maximum allowable utilization by grazing animals.

Utilization Monitoring of Key Areas:

Utilization monitoring will be conducted on key areas. District personnel will monitor key areas at a mid point and/or two weeks before or after livestock are moved off the Allotment. The percentage of grazing utilization will be determined at the time of monitoring. Please note the following dates that have been scheduled for monitoring on the Gallo Mountain Allotment. You are encouraged to participate in monitoring utilization levels.

Pasture	Monitoring date
Gallito	7/6
Negro Spring	8/31
Headwater	10/5

It is important that you comply with the allowable use guidelines and pasture rotations this grazing season. Please distribute livestock accordingly to comply with allowable use levels on key areas. If allowable use is met or exceeded on one key area, livestock will

need to be moved to areas within the pasture where use is less than allowable, if all key areas are meeting allowable use livestock will be moved to the next pasture, if all remaining pastures are at allowable use livestock will be removed from the allotment.

Utilization Monitoring Results for 2006:

Pasture	Date	Key Area	Use	Pasture	Date	Key Area	Use
Gallito	7/11/06	P-7	3%	Lower Mallet	11/20/06	C-1	13%
Gallito	7/11/06	P-1	1%	Lower Mallet	11/20/06	C-1	13%
Negro Spring	8/22/06	C-4	0%	Upper Mallet	11/20/06	P-3	16%
Headwater	11/08/06	C-2	11%	Upper Mallet	11/20/06	P-4	19%

2006 monitoring results show 0 accounts of over utilization. Please continue to observe and distribute livestock to avoid overuse. If allowable use is exceeded, livestock must be moved to available forage within the pasture or to the next scheduled pasture.

Forage Growth and Water Availability:

If forage growth and water availability are not adequate during all or portions of the 2007 grazing season, total or partial removal of livestock from the allotment may be necessary. Part 2, clause 8(c) of the grazing permit provides this option.

Actual Use:

Actual use data provided to the District was calculated at 2482 AM's for the 2006 grazing season. For your reference the 10-year actual use average for this allotment has been 1001 AM's.

Range developments:

Several times through out the 2006 grazing season cattle were reported on adjacent allotments and private land, it is necessary to keep cattle with in the correct pasture on your allotment to remain in compliance. Please do a better job keeping cattle located in the correct pasture during the 2007 grazing season.

All assigned range developments identified in the Term Grazing Permit will be maintained to a functional status.

No new range improvements have been identified for the 2007 grazing season.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the Annual Operating Instructions, please call John Pierson or Stan Towner at (505) 773-4678.

/s/ John Pierson for
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 District Ranger

4/09/07
 Date