

Puerto Viejo Allotment
Quemado Ranger District
2010 Annual Operating Instructions
(03/29/2010)

Permittee: Buchanan Ranch, LLC

Permit Number: 061339

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers:

Permitted	From	To	Type
128 Cow/calf	05/01	09/30	Term

2010 Annual Authorization:

Authorized	From	To	Type
40 Cow/calf	05/01/10	07/01/10	Term
70 Cow/calf	07/02/10	09/30/10	Term

2010 Pasture Rotation:

Pasture	From	To	Numbers	Allowable Use
Padilla	05/01/10	07/01/10	40	40%
Chavez	07/02/10	09/30/10	70	40%

Grazing Restriction:

The following grazing restrictions will apply as they did in 2009 for portions within the Chavez and Padilla pastures. A map displaying these areas was provided to you with your permit; if you need a new map please contact the District office.

No salt, mineral or supplemental feed may be placed in these areas from February 1 to August 31 and no concentrations of livestock, i.e., corral use, traps or large gathering of livestock is allowed. Routine maintenance of range developments is allowed. The purpose of this restriction is to mitigate wildlife issues.

Allowable Use:

The 1995 Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice identified 40% as the allowable utilization by grazing animals.

Utilization Monitoring:

Utilization monitoring will be conducted on or near key areas of your allotment. District personnel will monitor pasture use, and determine utilization percentage at that time. Monitoring dates will be set according to the previous year's monitoring results. If pastures were approaching allowable use during the 2009 grazing season they will be monitored at the mid-point of the pasture use period to determine if it is necessary for livestock to be moved to the next pasture in the rotation. Please note the following approximate dates that are scheduled for monitoring on the Puerto Viejo Allotment. You are encouraged to participate in monitoring utilization levels.

2010 Monitoring Dates:

Pastures	Monitoring Dates	Monitoring Dates
Padilla	06/03/10	07/06/10
Chavez	08/18/10	09/28/10

If any one key area in a pasture being grazed by livestock exceeds utilization on the uplands, livestock will be moved to another area of the pasture where actual use is less than allowable use. If all remaining key areas in the grazed pasture are at allowable use, livestock will be required to be moved early to the next scheduled pasture. This requirement is necessary to prevent overuse on forage plants.

2009 Utilization Monitoring Results:

Pasture	Date	Key Area /MSO PAC	Use %
Chavez Canyon	06/04/09	PW	5%
Padilla Well	06/04/09	030609010	0%
Chavez Canyon	06/09/09	030609007	0%

2009 monitoring results show 0 accounts of over utilization; I appreciate your efforts in management of livestock to comply with utilization standards.

Forage Growth and Water Availability:

If forage growth and/or water availability is not adequate during all or portions of the 2010 grazing season, total or partial livestock removal from the allotment will be necessary. Part 2, clause 8(c) of the grazing permit provides this option.

Range Developments:

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

Actual Use:

Actual use data provided to the District was calculated at 380 AM's for the 2009 grazing season.

If you have any questions or comments concerning these annual operating instructions please do not hesitate to call Stan Towner or Monte Topmiller at (575)773-4678.

/s/Janice Stevenson

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District Ranger