

**2008**

**ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS (AOIs)**

**JAROSITA ALLOTMENT # 00210**

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**CARSON NATIONAL FOREST  
EL RITO RANGER DISTRICT**

*/s/ Diana Trujillo*

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*District Ranger*

1/25/2008

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*Date*

## Annual Operating Instructions (AOIs)

### INTRODUCTION

These Annual Operating Instructions are in reference to the discussion you had with Ezequiel Rael and Diana Trujillo on January 25, 2008 and are hereby made a part of your Term Grazing Permit. The authorized eartag color is “*white*.” The authorized use for the 2008 Grazing Season on the Jarosita Allotment is as follows:

**Table 1 – Permittee Information and Season of Use**

Permittee Name	# Permitted Use Season	# Authorized Use Season	Eartags	Remarks
Rudy J. Jaramillo	80 cc 6/16 – 10/15	80 cc 6/16 – 10/15	White 1-80	

A range readiness inspection has been scheduled for May 28<sup>th</sup> to determine whether range vegetation and soils are ready for grazing.

Forage conditions will be monitored as the grazing season progresses.

**Compliance with New Mexico Statewide Regulations, NMAC 21.30.6 Bovine Trichomoniasis, effective June 17, 2005 hereby becomes a term and condition of the USFS grazing permit. We ask you to comply with the Trichomoniasis regulations imposed by the State of New Mexico. We will not add any additional regulations other than what the state requires.**

All livestock must be scheduled for counting prior to entering the Jarosita Allotment. The El Rito range personnel must be notified 5 days prior to the time livestock enter or leave the Forest. A five day grace period will be allowed for removal of stray(s) permitted cattle from the allotment.

Nonuse of a term grazing permit must be requested in written form for all of the permitted numbers (*Total Nonuse*), or part of the permitted numbers (*Partial Nonuse*). Verbal applications will not be accepted. If a permittee elects to request partial or total nonuse, he/she is still responsible for maintenance of assigned range improvements.

A credit/refund application must be submitted within a week after placing livestock late on the allotment or removing livestock early. A credit/refund is not automatic but must be requested in writing by the permittee(s) and approved by the District Ranger.

### ROTATION SCHEDULE

Initial distribution of your livestock is tentatively planned as follows (actual dates will be based on range readiness and joint monitoring of actual utilization).

**Table 2 – Pasture Rotation Schedule**

East Pasture	80 Head of Cattle	6/16 – 7-/18
West Pasture	80 Head of Cattle	7/19 – 8/20

**FORAGE UTILIZATION STANDARDS**

**Table 3 – Utilization Standards & Guidelines**

<b>Pasture Name</b>	<b>Key Forage Species</b>	<b>Stubble Height</b>
West/Middle/East Pastures	AZ/Thurber Fescue	6 – 8”
	Kentucky Blue	4 – 6”
	Oat Grasses	8 – 10”
Riparian Areas	Red Top	4 – 6”
	Kentucky Blue	4 – 6”
	Sedges	4 – 6”
Areas containing Ponderosa Pine	AZ Fescue	6 – 8”
	Kentucky Blue	4 – 6”
	Mt. Muhly	4 – 6”

**MONITORING**

Field inspections will be conducted to monitor allowable use, and movement of livestock. Permittees are encouraged and invited to participate in these inspections. Once the allowable use is achieved, livestock must be moved into the next scheduled pasture or off the allotment.

The length of season depends on the intensity of management and cooperation between permittees on livestock distribution and moving from pasture to pasture. Total removal of all livestock from the pasture/allotment is encouraged.

Both the Forest Service and the permittee are responsible for monitoring use and stubble height on the allotment to manage within specified utilization standards.

If areas within a pasture or the pasture as a whole begin to approach the identified stubble heights, then the remaining key areas will also be monitored and the pasture inspected to determine overall use patterns.

This information will be used to determine if cattle need to be re-distributed within the pasture or removed from the pasture.

Monitoring items such as distribution patterns, range readiness, cattle numbers, forage use levels, salting practices, and condition of improvements will be evaluated.

Regular herding and riding practices are the key to achieving proper livestock distribution on the allotment, and to provide for the fullest use of the grazing season. Salt must be placed out of bottoms, away from water, roads, forest system trails, and recreational sites.

**RANGE IMPROVEMENTS**

The following projects have been proposed for construction/maintenance for the 2008 grazing season.

- Permittee would like to see if we can find funding to repair some earthen dams on allotment
- Permittee would like FS personnel to look into signing and berming of two previously closed roads that have been recently re-opened by the public.
- Permittee would like to reconstruct approximately 2 ½ miles of fence from Pvt. Land towards La Manga.

All range improvements must be maintained to a good functioning condition before livestock are placed on the allotment. In the event these improvements cannot be brought up to standard, you should notify the range personnel so we can schedule them for reconstruction as funds become available.

If you have a need to cut fence stays or posts while you are maintaining your fences on your allotment, you can get authorization to cut these materials by obtaining a Free Use Permit from the range personnel at the El Rito office.

### **ALLOTMENT STATUS**

At the present time direction for management on the allotment is being documented in the AOIs.

The Jarosita Allotment is recognized as suitable Mexican spotted owl habitat. However, no known sightings have been identified on the allotment.

A Categorical Exclusion, using the NEPA process, was completed in late 2007. An Allotment Management Plan has been developed and will be in place for the 2008 grazing season.

The Standards and Guidelines identified in the Carson National Forest Plan that deal with the management of this allotment will be incorporated into the updated plan. It is very important that you understand these Standards and Guidelines since they form the basis for the management of this allotment.

Open and positive communication is encouraged. Feel free to contact the range personnel if you have any questions or problems. They will be happy to discuss allotment management, on the ground status, Forest Plan standards and guidelines, and possible changes in allotment management.

**ACTUAL USE INFORMATION  
JAROSITA ALLOTMENT  
2008 GRAZING SEASON**

**Attachment 1**

Pasture	Livestock Number & Class	Planned Use		Actual Use		Remarks
		Date on	Date off	Date on	Date off	
East Pasture	80 cow/calf	6/16/06	7/18/06			
West Pasture	80 cow/calf	7/19/06	8/20/06			
Middle Pasture	80 cow/calf	8/21/06	10/15/06			

Number of Head counted on \_\_\_\_\_.

Number of head lost: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Table 4**

Livestock Class	Poisonous Plants	Predators	Other	Total Losses

**UTILIZATION INFORMATION  
JAROSITA ALLOTMENT  
2008 GRAZING SEASON**

**Attachment 2**

<b>Pasture</b>	<b>Head Months (HMs)</b>	<b>Animal Unit Months (AUM's)</b>	<b>Allowable Utilization (percent)</b>	<b>Date Monitored</b>	<b>Observed Utilization</b>
East Pasture					
West Pasture					
Middle Pasture					

