

Escondido Allotment Annual Operating Instructions
Quemado Ranger District
2007 Annual Operating Plan/Instructions
(01/12/2007)

Permittee: Tommy and Joy D. Padilla
and Southern Cross Ranch LLC

Permit Number: 06-1136

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers:

Permitted	From	To	Type
150 cow/calf	05/01	10/31	Term

2007 Annual Validation:

Authorized	From	To	Type
215 yearling heifers	05/01/07	10/31/07	Term

2007 Pasture Rotation:

Pasture	From	To	Numbers	Allowable Use
Middle (Outlaw)	5/1/07	6/30/07	All Cattle	40%
East	7/1/07	8/31/07	All Cattle	40%
West	9/1/07	10/31/07	All Cattle	40%

Grazing Restriction:

None apply to this allotment.

Allowable Use:

The 1994 Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice identified 40% as the maximum allowable utilization by grazing animals.

Utilization Monitoring of Key Areas:

Utilization monitoring will continue on key areas. Forest personnel may conduct monitoring during the midpoint of the scheduled use periods for each pasture. At a minimum, forest personnel will monitor key areas within two weeks before or after livestock leave a pasture. The percentage of grazing utilization will be determined at that time. It is necessary that utilization is in compliance with the established allowable use levels. You are responsible for recognizing and complying with established allowable use levels. The following dates have been scheduled for monitoring on the allotment. You are highly encouraged to participate in monitoring utilization levels.

Utilization Monitoring Dates for 2007:

Outlaw	5/31/07	6/28/07
East	7/30/07	8/31/07
West	9/28/07	10/30/07

Utilization Monitoring Results 2006:

Pasture	Key Area	Date	Use
Outlaw	C-2	6/01/06	2%
Outlaw	C-2	7/12/06	2%
East	C-4	7/28/06	0%
East	P-1	7/28/06	2%

Allowable use was not exceeded in the two pastures that were monitored during 2006.

Please continue to observe and distribute livestock to comply with allowable use levels on key areas. If use approaches or meets the allowable use level, livestock will be moved to available forage within the pasture or to the next scheduled pasture.

Actual Use:

Actual use for the Escondido Allotment was 215 yearlings for 6 months = 1301 AM's x .7 (grazing factor) = 911 AUM's.

Forage Growth and Water Availability:

If forage growth and/or water availability is not adequate during all or portions of the 2007 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.

If you have any questions or comments concerning these Annual Operating Instructions, don't hesitate to call John Pierson at (505) 773-4678.

/s/ John Pierson (for)

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