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These are your 2016 Annual Operation Instructions for the Dunton Sheep Company permitted allotments and should be considered an extension of your Term Grazing Permit. I expect each of your three companies to run as a unique entity.

Authorized Use for 2016:

Permittee	No. and Class	Permit Area	Season of Use
Dunton Sheep Company	132 Cc 6 horses	West Squaw Creek	7/11-9/10
	238 Cc 6 horses	Lower Dutch Joe	7/1-9/10

As discussed during our meeting, here is how you agreed to operate this season. As always, we need to communicate on a regular basis. Your main FS contact is Dave Booth at 367-4326 if you/we need make any significant changes. Lou Arambel is the designated agent for Dunton.

As we agreed, I will allow you to manage your cattle with additional riders for a trial period. During this time, you are not required to maintain the Muddy Ridge, Lamreaux Meadow, or Irish Canyon internal fences. You will continue to maintain exterior boundary fences as required by the terms and conditions of your permit. Cattle need to remain on their permitted allotments during the permitted time frame. There should be no cattle in Muddy Ridge or Irish Canyon, as Muddy Ridge is currently permitted only for sheep, and sheep are running in Irish Canyon this year.

Dunton cattle will be grazed in common with cattle from Midland Live Stock. Cattle will graze east to west starting in the West Squaw and Lower Dutch allotments and remaining east of Big Sandy Creek until approximately the first week of August. Cattle will then move west of Big Sandy Creek and exit via Lamreaux allotment by 9/10. I am authorizing you to graze cow/calf pairs in place of your permitted yearling cattle.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Permittee will insure that all personnel performing on-the-ground livestock management are thoroughly familiar with the terms of these annual operating instructions and the term grazing permit.

All campsites will be located a minimum of 200 feet from lakes and System Trails and 100 feet from springs, streams and creeks. Livestock will not be tethered or picketed within 200 feet from lakes and System Trails and 100 feet from springs, streams and creeks.

All campsites used in conjunction with livestock operations will be maintained to present a clean, neat and orderly appearance. Flammable refuse will be completely burned. All unburnable materials will be stored properly until removed to a disposal site off National Forest System lands. Burying of trash is prohibited. Temporary holding pens, corrals, or mangers used for riding stock will be removed or cleaned up when the camp is moved or relocated. Facilities authorized on a permanent basis must be

kept clean at all times and cleaned up after its use period. All camps must have a serviceable axe and shovel for fire control.

Any carcass or animal remains will be moved at least 100 yards from live water, trails and roads. Animal carcasses in highly visible areas need to be relocated to more remote areas.

Grizzly bears have been observed on these allotments. Please contact Zack Turnbull, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, if you have suspected losses or other issues: 307-360-7336

A cache/storage area is allowed in Big Sandy Openings at your usual location. The cache needs to be bear resistant and removed each fall. A camp trailer and/or sheep wagon are also permitted. A maximum of 6 horses needed for cattle management will be allowed to overnight in this area at any one time.

LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT:

The permittee will provide sufficient riders to get proper distribution and management of livestock on the allotments.

Horses and mules used in all operations are not to be picketed or tied so as to create a torn up or trampled site appearance.

LIVESTOCK PREDATION: All predator control will be in accordance with State and Federal Laws. The permittee and/or their agents shall not use or place poison or devices for predator control on National Forest System Lands. Report all known or suspected black bear, grizzly bear, wolf and mountain lion activity to the proper authorities. For clarification, please refer to the following:

Bear /Lion: WGFD

Coyote/Wolf: USDA-APHIS-WS.

NOTE: Report all predator activity on or near Forest System Lands to the USDA-FS as well.

Following is a contact list for reporting predator activity:

WGFD (grizzly bear): Pinedale Office, Zack Turnbull, 307-367-4352 or cell above

USDA-FS: Pinedale Ranger District, District Ranger Rob Hoelscher 307-367-4326 (Office)
Range, Dave Booth 307-367-4361 (home)

USFWS: Lander Special Agent, Roy Brown 307-332-7607

USDA-APHIS-WS: Rock Springs Supervisor, Rod Merrill 307-362-7238

Part III of your Term Grazing Permit summarizes your maintenance obligations.

Range inspections may occur several times during the grazing season to check maintenance of range improvements, forage utilization, compliance with the grazing rotation, and other standard requirements.

Because of increasing public use, gates are often left open and livestock stray in to the wrong pasture. In addition, livestock can jump or walk cattle guards, or cattle guards can fill with sediment after one large rainstorm. I realize this is a problem and an inconvenience. However, it is still the permittee's responsibility to keep their animals in the proper unit. Routine checks need to be made by you and your riders. Most of our cattle guards are installed so they maybe cleaned with a shovel.

I have provided an Actual Use Report which you may use to record Actual Use data for the 2015 grazing season. Please record the date and number of cattle turned onto the allotment, the dates the cattle are moved to and from each allotment on the rotation, and the number of cattle removed from the allotment. Accurate records of these dates will help us manage the allotment. In addition, please record labor and cost associated with maintaining the improvements on your allotment. The Forest Service uses these records to help allocate Range Betterment Funds. These funds are used to purchase materials for improvement.

If you have any questions concerning these Annual Operating Instructions, please call Dave Booth at 367-5754. **Prior written approval by the District Ranger is required to amend or change these instructions.** We look forward to the grazing season.

/s/ David S. Booth (for) 3 June 2016

ROB HOELSCHER
Pinedale District Ranger

/s/ Lou Arambel

PERMITTEE OR AUTHORIZED AGENT