

Annual Operating Instructions 2016

I. Authorized Use for 2016

Permittee	Allotment	No. and Class	Permit Type	Season of Use
Martin J., C. Jane and Robert E. Wardell	Wagon Creek	26 Cattle, C/c	Term	7/15-10/15

II. Pasture Rotation Sequence and Use Standards

These Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) are made part of your grazing permit consistent with Part 1, item 3 and Part 2, Item 8(a) of your Term Grazing Permit for the Wagon Creek Allotment and are an extension of your term grazing permit.

The move-on date is only a guide since the on-date will be when range readiness occurs. Move dates are dependent on precipitation and temperature and their effects on vegetation production. Forage utilization will indicate when moves need to be made earlier.

The Wagon Creek allotment is within the mandatory food storage area. All food, pet food, processed livestock feed and grain, and refuse must be made unavailable to bears. Any carcass or animal remains will be moved at least 100 yards from live water and roads. Animal carcasses must be moved at least 200 yards from system trails.

The Wagon Creek Allotment lies within the area covered by the September 03, 2014 Biological opinion issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. Therefore permittees associated with the allotment will follow the terms and conditions of this Biological Opinion.

Place salt in areas where past and or present forage use is light. Salt should be used to spread utilization across the pasture being grazed. Place salt at least a ¼ mile from riparian areas and at least 200 yards from system trails. Salt should be picked up and moved when an area has been sufficiently used. Contact the Rangeland Management Specialist if you need suggestions. The permittee is responsible for using water and salt to achieve the best distribution of cattle throughout the pasture.

Range improvements must be maintained prior to placing cattle on the allotment. Improvements and associated maintenance specifications are listed in your grazing permit. Improvements must be maintained in years of total nonuse and total rest. This includes putting up and taking down fences if needed for adjacent pasture management.

No ground disturbing activities should be conducted on the National Forest by the permittee or their personnel without approval from the Range Specialist or other District staff.

Grazing fees must be paid before livestock can enter the National Forest. Please notify Forest Service Rangeland Management Specialist, Gary Hayward at 367-4326, at least 5 days before

cattle are turned onto the National Forest.

Because of increasing public use, gates are often left open and cattle stray into the wrong pasture. I realize this is a problem and an inconvenience. Routine checks need to be made by you and your riders. Please communicate with the Forest Service Rangeland Management Specialist if you experience any abnormal rotation complications.

Situations may develop during the grazing season which require changes to these instructions. If this becomes necessary, or if it appears you cannot comply with some part of these instructions, contact Gary Hayward and obtain approval from the District Ranger before initiating changes or deviating from these instructions.

The Pinedale Ranger District has an approved Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). The MVUM restricts motor vehicle use to roads which are signed on the ground with a white arrow, which signifies an open route or are on the MVUM. Please familiarize yourself and any employees conducting activities on your allotment with the MVUM. No travel off of open routes is allowed without prior approval.

If you have any questions concerning these Annual Operating Instructions, please call Gary Hayward in Pinedale at 367-5723.

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ROB HOELSCHER Pinedale District Ranger	Date	Permittee or Authorized Agent	Date