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Loren Jackson  
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Dear Loren:

On February 10, 2016, Kendell and Andy met with you to discuss the 2016 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Clay Springs Allotment. The pasture rotation and numbers agreed upon are as follows:

| <u>Pasture</u> | <u>Head</u> | <u>Dates</u>              |
|----------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Powerline      | 4 cow/calf  | March 1 to April 30       |
| Summer North   | 4 cow/calf  | May 1 to May 31           |
|                | 6 cow/calf  | June 1 to August 15       |
| Summer South   | 6 cow/calf  | August 16 to October 31   |
| +IL            | 4 cow/calf  | November 1 to November 30 |
| Powerline      | 4 cow/calf  | December 1 to January 7   |
| Town           | 4 cow/calf  | January 8 to February 28  |

Utilization for the 2016 grazing season should not exceed an average of 30% of herbaceous forage species, 25% of terminal buds of riparian shrubs and trees, and 45% on browse species. Adjustments to this rotation may be needed during the grazing season. Any adjustments to the rotation need to be coordinated and approved by the Forest Service. By this letter, I also authorize you or people working for you to cut, use or remove any trees needed for fence posts and stays for maintenance of structural range improvements within the Clay Springs Allotment. A copy of this letter must be in possession with you or them while engaged in any tree cutting.

If you have any questions, please contact Kendell or Andy at Black Mesa, (928)535-7300 or at Lakeside, (928) 368-2100. This letter will serve as your Annual Operating Instructions for the 2016 grazing year. I am willing to meet with the permittee to hear and discuss any concerns or issues related to these Annual Operating Instructions.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER JAMES  
District Ranger

