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Dear Scott & Rayma,

This letter will serve as your 2018 Annual Operating Instructions for the Birch Creek-Little Hole and Little Davenport Allotments and will become part of your Term Grazing Permit #00167B. The annual operating meeting was held on April 4, 2018 via phone call with Scott McCarrel and Cherette Bonomo.

Birch Creek-Little Hole/Little Davenport:

Below in Tables 1 & 2 you will find your grazing schedules and utilization benchmarks for the Birch Creek-Little Hole and Little Davenport Allotments. The scheduled dates below are to be used as guidelines depending on range readiness, precipitation, forage production, utilization, permittee needs, and adaptive management. The movement of livestock will depend upon available water and forage. It is your responsibility to ensure utilization benchmarks are not exceeded and to move livestock when allowable use is met. Management of the Little Davenport Allotment through the On-and-Off Provision will continue to be consistent with the management of the adjacent BLM Allotment.

Table 1: Birch Creek-Little Hole Grazing Schedule & Utilization Benchmarks

Number/Kind	Unit	Date ¹	Utilization Benchmark ²
74 Cattle (Cow/Calf)	East & West	June 1 – October 10	≤ 50% Use by Key Species ≥ 4" RSH Graminoids along Greenline

Table 2: Little Davenport Grazing Schedule & Utilization Benchmarks

Number/Kind	Unit	Date ¹	Utilization Benchmark ²
9 Cattle (Cow/Calf)	Little Davenport w/BLM Allotments	May 16 – October 15	≤ 50% Use by Key Species ≥ 4" RSH Graminoids along Greenline

¹Dates are estimates and may vary based upon range readiness, drought, utilization benchmarks being reached prior to the move date, and/or other factors. ²Utilization will be monitored at key areas of the allotment. Key areas are those areas most preferred by livestock, are typically grazed first, and receive the most concentrated use (e.g. Button Hook, Low Line meadow, etc.); RSH = residual stubble height.

Grazing fees are \$1.41 per head month this year. Your Bill for Collection payment for grazing fees must be paid before livestock are allowed on National Forest lands (due date 10 days prior to turn on date). Payments can be made by mail or in person at any Forest Service Office (bill number required). Bills can also be paid online at www.fs.fed.us/billpay. Please include a copy of your bill with your payment and allow 4 business days for payment processing.



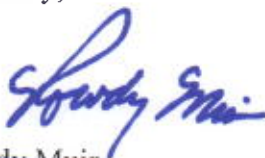
You are responsible to maintain all allotment fences, water developments, and other range improvements in a serviceable condition as listed in Part 3 of your term grazing permit and associated Allotment Management Plan one week prior to your scheduled on date. This allows for the inspection of your improvements and any potential concerns to be addressed before your livestock enter the allotment. If your maintenance responsibilities have not been completed to the standards listed in your permit, livestock will not be allowed to enter the allotment. All labor and materials needed for maintenance is your responsibility. Any OHV use in the administration of your allotments is limited to existing roads unless permission is otherwise obtained.

Other items:

- Permit Renewal: Your permit will expire 12/31/2018. Find enclosed application for term grazing permit, fill out and return to our office. We will complete the permit renewal by the end of the year. If there has been any changes to your base property or anything else related to your term grazing permit, please provide us that paperwork.
- Prescribed fire: Forest Service fire crews will be implementing prescribed fire on the North Slope of the Uintas beginning in April through this fall dependent on weather. Enclosed is a map of the prescribed burn units. Units to be burned for 2018 are 1-7, 14, and 17. Unit 17 is found within your allotments.

Find enclosed is your Grazing Use Record form to be returned by December 31st, 2018 and 2018 grazing season bill to be paid by the due date. Please continue to keep us informed on what's happening on your allotments and thank you for your cooperation in the proper management of the Birch Creek-Little Hole and Little Davenport Allotments. If you have any questions, changes or comments, please contact Cherette Bonomo, Rangeland Management Specialist, at office: (435) 781-5279

Sincerely,



Rowdy Muir
District Ranger

Enclosure (4)
Grazing Use Records
Grazing Bill
Term Grazing Permit Application

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