

Annual Monitoring Report Form for Actions covered under the Service's Biological Opinion for Grazing on Allotments Managed by the Salmon Challis National Forest.

Please submit annually by **March 1** to the Supervisor of the Service's Eastern Idaho Field Office:

**4425 Burley Dr., Suite A, Chubbuck, Idaho 83202
Telephone (208)237-6975.**

Please include name and contact information in case additional information is needed.

1. What was the name of that stream in this allotment surveyed for impacted redds? **None, livestock were supposed to be removed from the allotment on 8/16, however, cattle were found on the allotment over 60 days past the August 16th removal date (pastures unknown).**
2. What was the date of the survey, and what were the water conditions? **NA**
3. Which stream segment was surveyed and how many redds and impacted redds were found? (Please give GPS start and stop points for segments)? **NA**
4. What was the date that livestock removed from the pasture with surveyed stream segment? **NA**
5. Did this number exceed the scale anticipated in section VII of the Biological Opinion? **No**
6. Were there any changes to the grazing management that differed from the proposed grazing management in the Forest's Biological Assessment? If yes, what were they? **Yes. Notices of non-compliance were issued for 2011 and 2012 for excess use and failure to follow pasture rotation schedule. A suspension letter for 25% for the 2014-2015 seasons was issued on August 19th, 2013. Due to repeated non-compliance, excess use, and failure to follow AOI and the Term Grazing Permit, the Challis-Yankee fork District Ranger is issuing an additional 25% permit cancellation or 50% suspension for three years for East Fork Ranches and Running T LLC.**
7. Were there any unexpected circumstances or events that resulted in impacts beyond those anticipated in the Forest's in the Biological Assessment or the Service's Biological Opinion? If yes, please describe. **Yes. On multiple occasions during the 2013 season, cattle were observed in the Trealor pasture and the Riparian Pasture, rested units. Utilization standards were exceeded at multiple sites, including those in pastures scheduled for rest. Cattle were not moved according to pasture rotation schedule. In a meeting on August 14, 2013 the permittees were instructed to remove all of their cattle from the allotment (except the "Bayhorse subdivision") by the 21st of August; standards had already been surpassed in pastures that were not scheduled for use until later in the season. Cattle were found still on the allotment nearly 60 days after the date given for removal. A suspension letter for 25% for the 2014-2015 seasons was issued on August 23rd, 2013 for non-compliance issues observed up to August 23rd. Due to continued non-compliance after August 21st, excess use, failure to follow Forest Officer Instructions, the 2013 AOI and the Term Grazing Permit, the Challis-Yankee Fork District Ranger is issuing an additional 25% permit cancellation or 50% suspension for three years for East Fork Ranches and Running T LLC. Cutler was issued a notice of non-compliance for excess use and for failing to manage his herd by keeping them on the portion of the allotment allocated for his use (Bayhorse Subdivision).**

2013 End of Season Monitoring Results

Unit – Creek	Monitoring Attribute	Standard for 2013	2013 End of Season Results
Lower Squaw Creek-Cache Creek	Greenline stubble	≥ 6"	3"
	Bank alteration	< 10%	23%
	Browse Use	30 ^A or 50 ^B	27%
Trealor Creek- Trealor Creek	Greenline stubble	≥ 6"	8"
	Bank alteration	< 20%	10%
	Browse Use	30 ^A or 50 ^B	10%
Trealor Creek- Squaw Creek	Greenline stubble	≥ 6"	6"
	Bank alteration	< 20%	4%
	Browse Use	30 ^A or 50 ^B	10%
Kinnikinic Creek	Greenline stubble	≥ 6"	4"
	Bank alteration	< 20%	10%
	Browse Use	30 ^A or 50 ^B	10%
Upper Squaw Creek-Martin Creek	Greenline stubble	≥ 4"	3"
	Bank alteration	< 10%	11%
	Browse Use	30 ^A or 50 ^B	20%

^ASingle-stemmed species such as aspen ^BMulti-stemmed species such as willow and alder

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