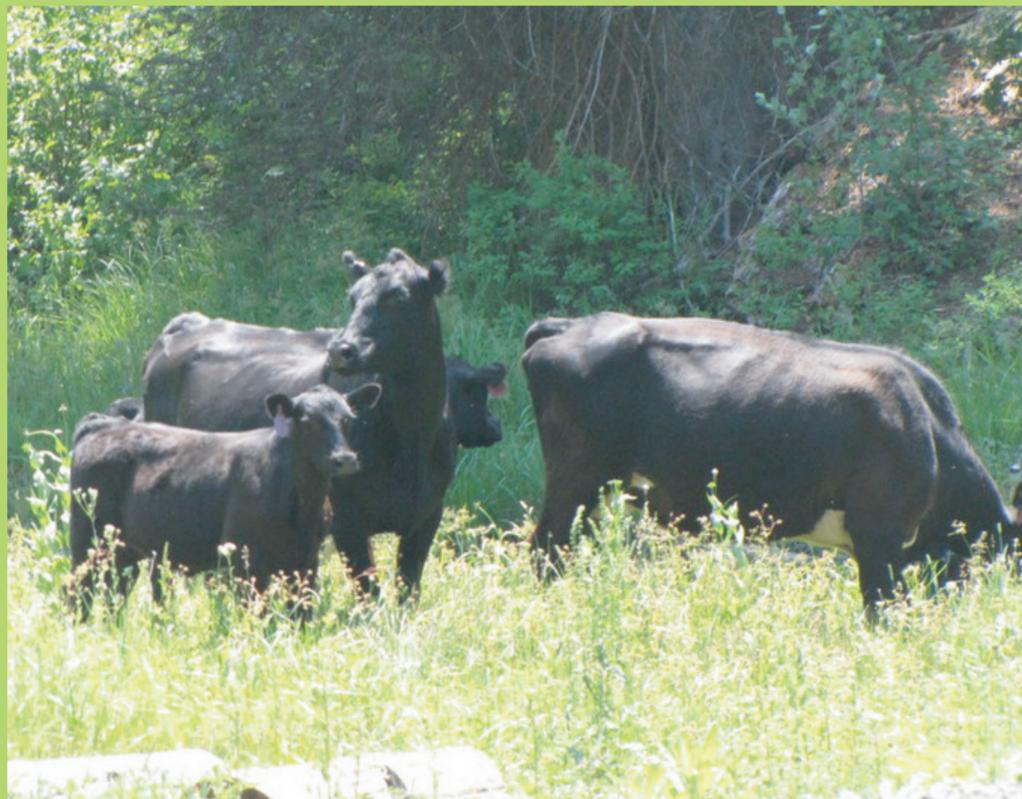


Livestock in Sage Hen Area

Welcome to Sage Hen Reservoir, a multiple use area managed by the U.S. Forest Service. This reservoir is unique for its high-mountain location. Sage Hen Reservoir stores irrigation water for farms in the Payette River Valley. This area also is a long-standing livestock grazing allotment, permitted by the Forest Service.

Just like you pay to visit and camp at Sage Hen Reservoir, ranchers pay for their sheep and cattle to visit and graze national forest lands. Livestock come to the reservoir as an important source of water and to rest in the shade. Livestock enjoy the reservoir for the same reasons you do.

Ranchers manage the livestock and herd them through the large grazing allotments that surround Sage Hen Reservoir. The Boise National Forest asks that you be considerate of the livestock guests.



If cows wander into your campsite, please follow these tips:

- Keep a safe distance from livestock.
- Do not allow pets to go near or chase livestock.
- Keep your dogs on a leash (campground rule).
- Calmly and slowly move (with outstretched arms) the livestock from the camp area towards the surrounding forest, not into another camper's area.
- Make loud noises with your voice or bang pots and pans together to move the cattle.
- The campground host can contact the Boise National Forest and inform ranchers that the cows need to be herded away from the area.

