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**Date:** April 15, 2015

Steve Hall  
146 Grayson Ranch Rd  
Winnemucca, NV 89445

Dear Steve,

The following letter will document the meeting with Steve Hall, Shane Hall, Gary Bengochea, Brandon Hoagland, Joe Garrotto and Boyd Hatch, on March 20, 2015, and will serve as your Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the 2015 summer grazing season on the Quinn River Allotment. The District Ranger must approve any changes to this AOI.

The grazing system on this allotment is Rest Rotation. The scheduled dates of use are flexible but a one-week notice must be given before any changes are made in the below dates. The District Ranger must approve any changes in the planned use.

**QUINN RIVER C&H  
PERMITTED SEASON of USE & NUMBERS**

Allotment	Class	Number	Season
Quinn River C&H	c/c	400	4/15 - 9/1
Quinn River C&H	c/c	2400	5/15 - 9/1

**QUINN RIVER C&H  
AUTHORIZED SEASON of USE & NUMBERS**

UNITS	Class	Number	Season
Quinn River Riparian	Yearlings	300	4/21 - 5/20
Quinn River Riparian	Yearlings	400	5/15 - 5/20
Long Canyon	Yearlings	700	5/16 - 6/17
Goosey Lake	C/C	300	5/15 - 6/10
Goosey Lake	C/C	300	5/25 - 6/10
Goosey Lake	C/C	600	6/5 - 6/10
Laca	C/C	1000	6/11 - 7/10
Laca Riparian	C/C	200	7/11 - 8/15
West Side of South Fork East Unit	C/C	1000	7/15 - 8/15
West Side of South Fork East Unit	C/C	1200	8/16 - 9/1
East Side of South Fork East Fork Unit	Rest		



**NON-USE:** Resource protection non-use is authorized for 900 c/c due to continued drought conditions on the Quinn River Allotment.

**PERMITTED LIVESTOCK BRANDS:**

<p>T-16993 (775) 623-3211 Exp. Date: 12/31/2015</p> <p></p> <p>Crawford Cattle LLC 5195 E Kirkway Drive Winnemucca, NV 89445</p> <p><b>A QUARTERCIRCLE COMBINED</b></p> <p>Location LHLR LT Cattle Horse Elko, Humboldt County, Statewide</p>	<p>T-17051 (775) 623-3211 Exp. Date: 12/31/2015</p> <p></p> <p>Crawford Cattle 5195 Kirkway Dr Winnemucca, NV 89445</p> <p><b>C C OVER BAR</b></p> <p>Location RH RSH Cattle Horse Humboldt County, Statewide</p>	<p>T-16998 (775) 623-3211 Exp. Date: 12/31/2015</p> <p></p> <p>Crawford Cattle LLC 5195 E Kirkway Drive Winnemucca, NV 89445</p> <p><b>C REVERSE S</b></p> <p>Location LHLR LT Cattle Horse Elko, Humboldt County, Statewide</p>
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**COMPLIANCE:**

This AOI is made part of your grazing permit consistent with Part 1, item 3 and Part 2, Item 8(a). The scheduled dates of use are flexible but a one-week notice must be given before any changes are made in the below dates. Other situations may develop during the grazing season which requires changes to these instructions. If this becomes necessary or if you cannot comply with some part of these instructions, the District Ranger must approve any changes in the planned use.

Invasive weeds are becoming a serious threat to the welfare of our rangelands. Your assistance is needed to identify new outbreaks of weed populations and to prevent the establishment of weeds on the forest. Pay particular attention to areas where stock are concentrated such as loading/unloading areas, water developments, and salting areas. We have implemented a Noxious Weed Free Hay order on the forest. This will require any hay that is brought onto the National Forest to be certified free from noxious weeds. All livestock entering the National Forest are recommended to be fed Certified Noxious Weed Free Forage for at least 2 days prior to entering the Forest.

**BILLING:**

Grazing fees remained unchanged from last year. The fee is now \$1.69 per head per month.

**DUE DATE:**

Payment of your grazing bill is due five days prior to your earliest turnout date to allow time for processing. As a reminder the Forest Service is required to give permittees a minimum of 30 days to pay your grazing fees. On line payment is available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/billpay>.

**LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT**



**STANDARDS AND GUIDES:**

You are responsible for determining when allowable use has been reached and for moving your cattle to the next unit in your rotation or off the allotment when allowable use has been reached. The Forest Service is responsible for monitoring your compliance with allowable use standards. If you need assistance determining use levels or locating key areas, please contact Boyd. All riparian areas on the allotments are considered key areas.

**RIPARIAN SITES:**

AREA	PERCENT ALLOWABLE USE
Anderson Creek Unit 2 (Long Canyon)	60%
Long Canyon Creek Unit 2 (Long Canyon) and all Wet Meadows	50%
E. Fork Quinn Unit 1 (Quinn Riparian) and Chicken Creek Unit 3 (South Fork)	45%
S. Fork Quinn River Unit 3 (South Fork), Laca Creek Unit 4 (Laca), Goosey Lake Creek 5 (Goosey Lake), and E. Fork Quinn Unit 6 (Laca Riparian)	40%
E. Fork Quinn Unit 2, E. Fork Quinn Unit 3, Klondike Canyon 3, and all other riparian shrubs such as willows	35%
E. Fork Quinn Unit 6	15%

**UPLAND SITES:**

Key Species: Use is 60% on upland sites. Key species are: mountain brome, basin wild rye, Sandberg bluegrass, bluebunch wheatgrass, squirreltail, and Idaho fescue.

**REST UNIT:**

West half of the South Fork Unit

**IMPROVEMENTS:**

Range improvements listed in part three of your grazing permit must be maintained before cattle enter the allotments. The maintenance standards listed in part three of your term permit must be followed when maintaining the improvements. As you're doing water trough maintenance, please install wildlife ramps in all troughs that currently don't have them. We have several new ramps available at the Paradise Valley Ranger Station. Please let Dave Kern, or Boyd know when you are going to pick ramps up and they will make sure they are available.

We discussed fixing the fence between North Fork and the Quinn River Allotment.



**PERMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS:**

Dead livestock must be moved at least 100 yards from water, roads and trails. Place salt at least ¼ mile from water sources and in areas lightly grazed to encourage an even distribution of utilization on the range. In situations where terrain does not allow proper placement of salt, please contact Boyd and they will determine a suitable location with your input. Due to resource concerns in Laca the forest asks that you do not salt within and around the area near the head of Goosey Lake Creek near Rance Spring, this area is marked on the map section of the AOI.

**REQUIRED REPORTING:**

Actual Use and Range Improvement Maintenance forms have been included for you to complete and return at the end of the grazing season. Please return the forms following the 2014 grazing season by November 30, 2014.

**COORDINATION & COOPERATION:**

If you spot a wild fire, report it immediately to the Central Nevada Interagency Dispatch Center in Winnemucca, NV at (775) 623-1555 or 1-800-535-6076.

**MAPS, FORMS & ATTACHMENTS:**

An allotment map has been attached to your AOI.

**OTHER:**

We discussed looking at the Quinn Riparian Pasture Fence and possibly extending it further up the Quinn River.

We also discussed the drought conditions and if we do not receive the precipitation needed to sustain the resources on the allotment livestock will need to be moved through the pastures sooner than the date stated above.

If you have any questions or concerns about this grazing season, please call Boyd at (775) 623-5025 x 119.

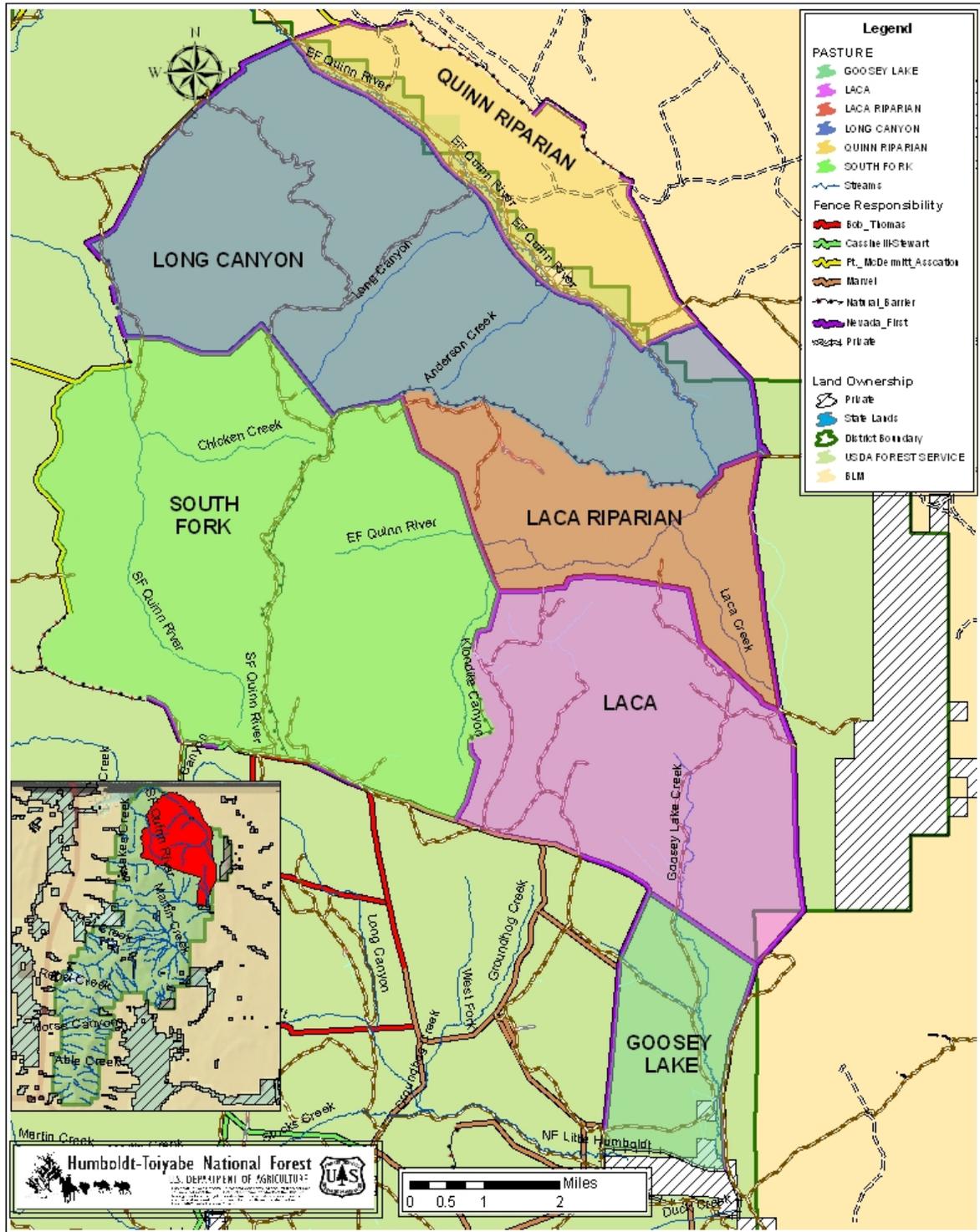
Sincerely,

*/s/ Joseph Garrotto*

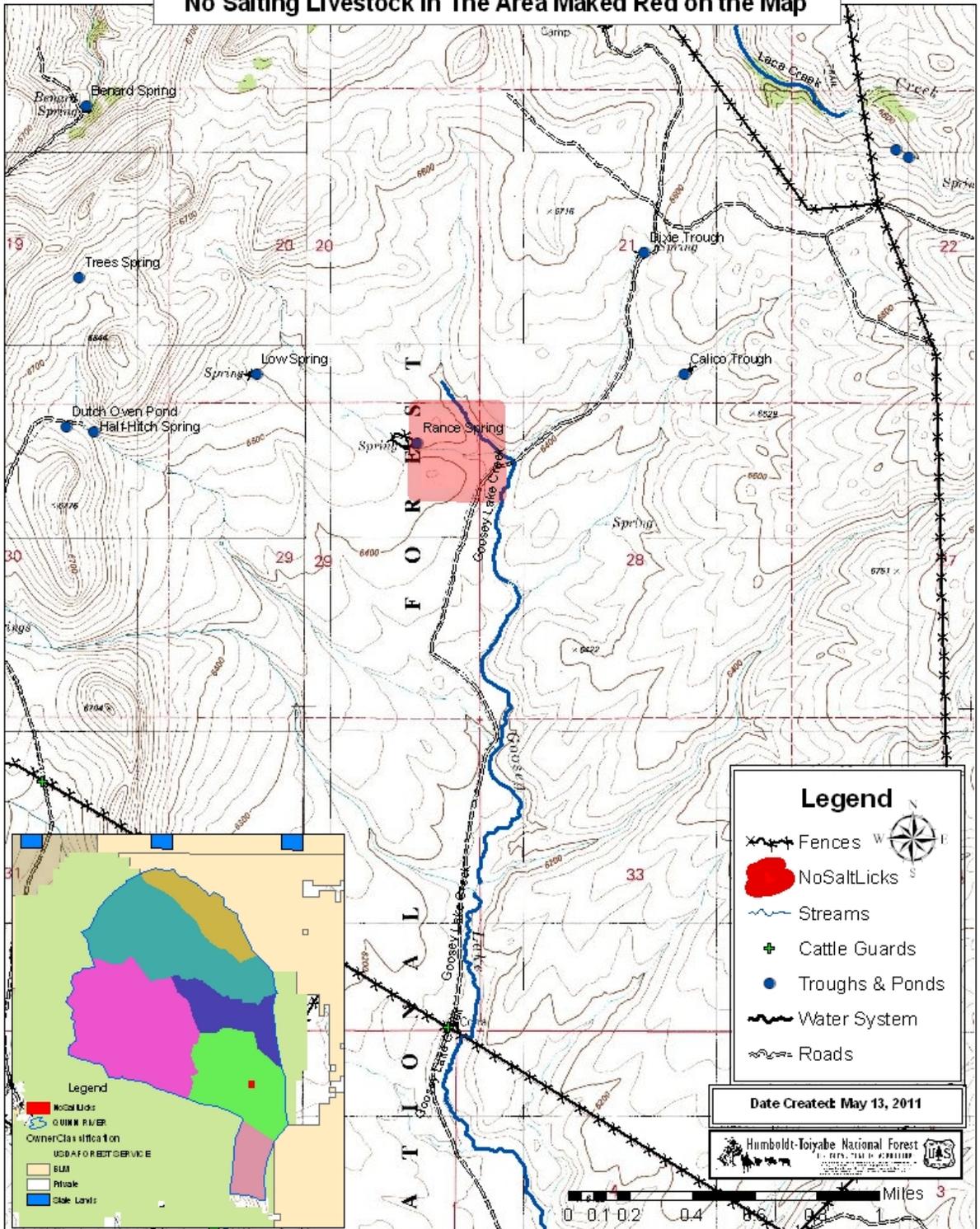
JOSEPH GARROTTO  
District Ranger



# Quinn River C&H Allotment



**Quinn River Allotment Laca Pasture Resource Protected Area  
No Salting Livestock in The Area Maked Red on the Map**



# ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

2015

Quinn River C&H

SANTA ROSA RANGER DISTRICT

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Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rangeland Management Specialist

Accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Permittee

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Ranger

**Please sign and date this cover sheet and return to my office. Upon signature by the District Ranger, these Annual Operating Instructions are hereby made a part of your Term Grazing Permit.**

**As permittee, my signature on these Annual Operating Instructions certifies that there is no change to my permitted livestock or base property ownership as described in my grazing permit.**

