

Centerfire Allotment
Quemado Ranger District
2009 Annual Operating Instructions
(01/09/2009)

Permittee: Craig Heimberg

Permit Number: 061340

Term Permitted Livestock:

Permitted	From	To	Type
139 Cattle Cow/calf	3/1	2/28	Term

2009 Annual Authorization:

Authorized	From	To	Type
139 Cattle Cow/calf	03/1/09	02/28/10	Term

2009 Pasture Rotation:

Pasture	Start Date	End Date	Number	Allowable Use
Section/Campbell	03/01/09	04/15/09	Cows/calves	30%
Bishop	04/15/09	06/15/08	Cows/calves	30%
SA	06/16/09	07/31/08	Cows/calves	30%
Bastion/Dillon West	07/31/09	09/01/09	Cows/calves	20%-30%
Black Gap	09/01/09	12/01/09	Cows/calves	30%
**Funderburg	-----	-----	Cows/calves	30%
Freeman/Dillon	12/01/09	02/28/10	Cows/calves	20%

**** Funderburg pasture is to be used as a gathering and holding pasture for overnight pasture moves.**

As discussed on 01/09/09 the Funderberg pasture, due to its central location, will be used as a gathering/holding trap as needed instead of being apart of the scheduled rotation as it has been in the past.

S.A. #1, S.A. #2, Pinpoint 40, Centerfire #1, and Centerfire #2 - May enter these pastures only to trail livestock. No overnight stays will be allowed without prior approval from the District.

Grazing Restriction:

Grazing restrictions apply as shown on your allotment map provided to you in 2008. If you need another copy contact Stan Towner or Monte Topmiller at the District Office. The restrictions are as follows:

No salt, mineral or supplemental feed may be placed within the identified areas in the Bishop Canyon pasture from February 1 through August 31 and no concentration of livestock, i.e. corral use, traps, or large gathering of livestock is allowed. Routine maintenance of range developments is permitted.

Allowable Use:

Proper utilization of forage plants is a necessity to maintain long term productivity of the rangeland and to protect soils from erosion. Proper utilization will maintain sufficient ground cover to prevent erosion and meet the physiological needs of key forage plants for maintenance and reproduction over the long term. Allowable use is determined from considering proper use and all influencing factors such as grazing system, range condition, watershed condition, timing and duration of livestock use and scheduled amount of rest between use periods. Proper use and allowable use rates on riparian woody species is 25%. Allowable use guidelines vary from 20% to 30% by pasture on herbaceous forage species.

Utilization Monitoring:

Utilization monitoring will be conducted on or near key areas of your allotment. District personnel will monitor pasture use, and determine utilization percentage at that time. Monitoring dates will be set according to the previous years monitoring results. If pastures were approaching allowable use during the 2008 grazing season they will be monitored at the mid-point of the pasture use period to determine if it is necessary for livestock to be moved to the next pasture in the rotation. Please note the following approximate dates that are scheduled for monitoring on the Centerfire Allotment. You are encouraged to participate in monitoring utilization levels.

2009 Monitoring Dates:

Pasture	Monitoring Date	Pasture	Monitoring Date
Section/Campbell	03/21/09	Black Gap	11/04/09
Bastion	06/17/09	Funderburg	11/14/09
Bishop	06/17/09	Freeman	02/28/10
SA	07/31/09	Dillon West	02/28/10

If utilization levels are approaching allowable use levels, livestock will be required to be moved to areas within the pasture that are not approaching allowable use levels. In the event, areas within the pasture are not available livestock will be moved to the next scheduled pasture. If allowable use standards are met in the remainder of the pastures it may be necessary to remove livestock from the allotment until conditions are adequate.

2008 Utilization Monitoring Results:

Pasture	Date	Key Area	Use	Pasture	Date	Key Area	Use
Section	5/14/08	P-4	0%	SA	7/31/08	PW	10%
Campbell	5/14/08	C-2	2%	Bishop	6/15/08	P-1A	10%
Black Gap	11/05/08	PW	15%				

2008 monitoring results show 0 accounts of over utilization.

Forage Growth and Water Availability:

If forage growth and/or water availability are not adequate during all or portions of 2009, total or partial livestock removal from the allotment will be necessary. Part 2, clause 8(c) of the permit provides this option.

Range Developments:

All assigned range developments identified in the Term Grazing Permit will be maintained to a functional status. I would like to thank you for taking initiative and completing all remaining waterlots outlined in the Decision Notice dated 09/10/03..

If you have any questions or comments concerning the Annual Operating Instructions, please call Stan Towner or Monte Topmiller at (575) 773-4678.

/s/ Janice S. Stevenson

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Date