

**ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST
Duchesne-Roosevelt Ranger District
Left Fork Indian Canyon Cattle Allotment
2025 Annual Operating Instructions**

Permittee	Number of Head	Season of Use
[REDACTED]	62	June 16 – October 15
[REDACTED]	7 Horses	June 16 – October 15
[REDACTED]	<u>30</u>	June 16 – October 15
Total Herd Size	99	

Grazing Schedule

Pasture/Unit	Sequence	Dates of Use	Allowable Use
Jones Hollow	1 st	06/16 – 07/20	50%
Spring Canyon	2 nd	07/21 – 08/31	50%
Lower Hollow	3 rd	09/1 – 10/15	50%

The dates of use above are to be used guidelines. The primary determining factor for moving livestock from one unit to the other is utilization. As stated above, allowable use is 50% in upland forage areas in all units. A 4” to 6” stubble height of riparian forage species (i.e. wiregrass) shall be left in the stream corridor. Permittees should closely monitor key areas (stream corridors). It is imperative that permittees do not allow cattle to graze to a point that the key areas have a “mowed” look to them (i.e. all grass seed heads and stalks have been removed from the plants), which indicates about 60% use or greater. When allowable use in the key areas is met in each unit, the cattle need to be moved to the next unit.

A range staff member will regularly visit the allotment throughout the grazing season to monitor permit compliance, forage utilization, and range improvements. Compliance of allowable use standards will be fully enforced. If compliance is not met, permittees will be sent notices of non-compliance and associated requirements to address the violation(s).

Grazing fees will be \$1.35 per head month this year. *Fees must be paid before livestock will be authorized to enter the National Forest.* It can take two to three week for payment to go through Lockbox so **please pay your bill by the due date.**

Annual Operating Plan Meeting

Annual meeting was held April 4, 2025 in Duchesne, Utah with [REDACTED] present. The following items were discussed:

1. Permittees plans to work on the North Spring Hollow water development and the Spring Hollow fence extension this summer.
2. Drought conditions were discussed. Snowpack has been well below average for this area. If dry conditions persist through the spring and summer months livestock numbers may need to be reduced or livestock may need to come off the allotment early. Utilization levels will need to be monitored closely.

Maintenance of Improvements

All improvements must be maintained before cattle will be allowed to enter the first unit to be grazed. **Please contact our office five days before livestock enter the allotment to allow us ample time to inspect the improvements and check range readiness.** Also, as discussed in the annual meeting all discarded materials (i.e. old troughs, broken pipe, wire etc.) need to be removed from the National Forest. The following improvements are on the Left Fork Indian Canyon Allotment:

Improvement Checklist

Improvement Name	Improvement #	Improvement Name	Improvement #
Clay Spring	436687	Upper Jones Spring	436686
Doe Spring	436685	Devils Slide Spring	436680
Jones Spring #4	436679	Indian Canyon Boundary Fence	4210
Jones Hollow Private Fence #1	4198	Jones Spring #1	436601
Jones Hollow Private Fence #2	4196	Nielsen Spring	437059
Jones Hollow Private Fence #3	4106	Swede Spring	436677
Jones Spring #2	436598	Toeman Spring	4479
Lookout Spring	436674	Spring Hollow Drift Fence	4211 & 4211A
North Spring Hollow Spring	436678		

Multiple Use Considerations

Coordination with permittees on adjacent allotments along with wildlife, recreation, watershed, and other National Forest uses is needed. Please notify the Duchesne office if you notice any unauthorized use or resource damage. A concentrated effort is being made to control musk thistle, Russian knapweed, tall and regular whitetop, and other noxious weeds throughout the Duchesne Ranger District and Duchesne County. Your help is needed in finding and reporting all weed infestations. If you find weeds, please contact Sandy.

Salting

Salt needs to be used to help livestock distribution. Salting should occur on the alluvial fans vegetated with bullgrass. **Do not** salt in or near the stream corridor.

Actual Use Record

The actual use record and maintenance report included with these operating instructions **needs to be filled out and returned immediately following the grazing season.** If anything comes up concerning the allotment or your permit, contact Sandy Kaminski at (435) 790-7011.

Thanks for your cooperation and have a good summer.

Kristy Groves
Forest Supervisor

Actual Use Record

Allotment Left Fork Indian Canyon **YEAR** 2025

To be completed by the Permittee showing actual use, cost, and losses. Please complete one form for each allotment and mail or dropped off to the Duchesne Ranger District Office, 85 West Main Duchesne, UT 84021 by December 31st.

Pasture/Unit	Number Grazed	Date On	Date Off
Jones Hollow			
Spring Canyon			
Lower Hollow			

ANNUAL COST RECORD

Activity	Hours	Material Costs	Other Costs (Labor, Travel, etc.)
New Improvements			
Maintenance			
Allotment Management			
Other:			

LOSS RECORD BY NUMBER AND TYPE (example: 3 calves, 1 bull, 2 cows)

Pasture/Unit	Poisonous Plant	Predation	Weather	Disease	Theft	Other (fire, vandalism, hit by a car)	Unknow
Jones Hollow							
Spring Hollow							
Lower Canyon							

Remarks (needs, new projects, management suggestions): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____