

**ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST
Duchesne-Roosevelt Ranger District
Mill Hollow Cattle Allotment
2025 Annual Operating Instructions**

<u>Permittee</u> [REDACTED]	<u>Number</u> 150	<u>Non-Use</u> 0	<u>Season</u> June 16 to October 15
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Grazing Schedule

Pasture/Unit	Sequence	Dates of Use	Allowable Use
Mill Hollow-Indian Canyon	1 st	6/16 – 8/15	50%
Head of Indian Canyon-Grassy Hollow	2 nd	8/16 – 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. Grazing utilization guidelines are as follows: allowable use for upland forage species (i.e. bullgrass) is 50% and a 4” to 6” stubble height for riparian forage species. Permittees should closely monitor key areas (i.e. Kentucky bluegrass meadows). It is imperative that permittees do not allow cattle to graze to a point that the units 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 is met in each unit, the cattle need to be moved to the next unit.

A range technician will regularly visit the allotment throughout the summer to monitor permit compliance, forage utilization, and range improvements.

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

The annual meeting was held March 28, 2025 in Price, Utah. In attendance were [REDACTED]. The following items were discussed:

1. Permittees mentioned that they need to replace the trough in Wide Hollow, will need 100ft of pipe and an 8ft galvanized trough.
2. Permittees need 100ft of pipe to repair the water development in Left Fork of Mill Hollow, Wish Spring, which was damaged by the fire.
3. Ross Sation Spring is drying up. May need to look at finding a different source for trough.
4. Permittees requested a 12 ft swing gate to install by new slash burn site in Argyle.
5. Permittees plan to install the Butcher Spring water development this summer.
6. Plan to start work on the approved Mill Hollow corral.
7. Permittee requested “blinking” cattle crossing signs on the installed on Highway 191.
8. 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 fences and water developments must be maintained before the cattle will be allowed to enter the allotment. Please contact our office when you have completed your maintenance. Do so at least **five** days before the cattle enter the allotment to allow us sufficient time to inspect these improvements. A Range technician may randomly inspect the improvements at any time. **Please contact our office five days before livestock enter the allotment to allow us ample time to inspect the improvements** and range readiness. 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 Allotment:

Improvement Checklist

Improvement #	Improvement Name	Improvement #	Improvement Name
4503	Wide Hollow Spring	4789	Butcher Hollow Spring
436684	Wish Spring	436683	White Pine Spring
437098	Clements Spring	436659	Grassy Hollow Spring
437099	Mill Hollow Spring	437072	Water Hollow Spring
436668	Ross Station Spring	437098	Clement Spring-55 drum
436682	Matt's Spring	4104	Argyle Bdry. Fence
4193	Mill Hollow Drift Fence	4202	Grassy Hollow Drift Fence
4785	Tub Ridge Mill Hollow Division Fence		

Multiple Use Considerations

Coordination with permittees on adjacent allotments along with wildlife, recreation, watershed and other National Forest uses in 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 not occur near key areas but in areas that generally receive light use normally. **Do not** salt in open parks and meadows, and adjacent to water. Remove salt from those areas that have reached proper utilization.

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 Mill Hollow **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
Mill Hollow-Indian Canyon			
Head of Indian Canyon-Grassy 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)

Unit/ Pasture	Poisonous Plant	Predation	Weather	Disease	Theft	Other (fire, vandalism, hit by a car)	Unknow
Mill Hollow-Indian Canyon							
Head of Indian Canyon-Grassy Hollow							

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

Signature: _____

Date: _____