

**ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST
Duchesne-Roosevelt Ranger District
Timber Canyon/Long Ridge Cattle Allotment
2025 Annual Operating Instructions**

<u>Permittee</u>	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Number of Cattle</u>	<u>Non-Use</u>	<u>Season of Use</u>
██████████	Timber Canyon (180)	100	80	June 16 – October 15
	Long Ridge (60)	60	0	June 16 – October 15
	Total (240)	160	80	

Grazing Schedule

Allotment	Pasture/Unit	Sequence	Dates of Use	Allowable Use
Timber Canyon	Cow-Calf Hollow	Graze if accessible	08/01 – 10/15	50%
	Pine Hollow	1 st	06/16 – 07/31	50%
	Jackson-Shotgun	2 nd	07/30 – 08/31	50%
	Timber Canyon	3 rd	09/01 – 10/15	50%
Long Ridge	Lion Hollow	Rest		50%
	Water Hollow	1 st	06/16 – 07/25	50%
	Rough Canyon	2 nd	07/26 – 09/03	50%
	Bumper-Grassy Hollow	3 rd	09/04 – 10/15	50%

This year Timber Canyon and Long Ridge Allotment will be grazed together. The dates of use above are to be used guidelines. If a change in the grazing schedule is needed, please contact Sandy. 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 (bluegrass meadows and 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 technician will regularly visit the allotment throughout the summer 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 are \$1.35 per head month. **Fees must be paid through Lockbox collection procedures before livestock will be authorized to enter the National Forest.** It can take two to three weeks for payment to go through Lockbox so **please pay your bill by the due date.**

Annual Operating Plan Meeting

The annual meeting was held on May 6, 2025, in Duchesne, UT with ██████████ present. The following items were discussed:

1. Because unavailable access into Cow Hollow the number of will be reduce to 160 head or 66% of permitted numbers as resource protection non-use. Permittee may try to get a few head into Cow Hollow this summer.

2. Cow Hollow Trail Reconstruction NEPA is being worked on for the Forest Service section of the trail. It was suggested to the permittee to make an agreement with the private landowner to construct a trail across the private land. The Forest Service will continue working with private landowner on a right-of-way easement for the trail.
3. Forest Wide Range Improvement Projects on the allotment will continue to be constructed as funding and materials become available. Permittee will work on the Jackson Hollow Spring this summer.

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 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 Timber Canyon and Long Ridge Allotments:

Timber Canyon: Improvement Maintenance Responsibilities

Improvement #	Improvement Name	Improvement #	Improvement Name
4294	Adamson Spring	431191	Bull Hollow Spring
436465	Cow Hollow Spring	431327	Jackson Hollow Spring
436511	Johnson Spring	4386	Pine Hollow Spring
436766	Sagers Spring	4540	Twin Hollow Spring
436462	Remund Well Spr. Pipeline	4213	Timber Canyon Bdry Fence
4372	Cow Hollow Drift	4477	Pine Hollow Unit Fence
4271 & 4271A	Pine Hollow Drift Fence		

Long Ridge: Improvement Maintenance Responsibilities

Improvement #	Improvement Name	Improvement #	Improvement Name
4298	RF Lion Hollow Spring	436478	Lion Spring
436475	Tall Timber Spring	436527	Bumper Spring
432060	Water Hollow Spring	436523	Nichols Spring
436528	East Bumper Spring	4388	Lion Hollow Boundary Fence
436769	Water Hollow Spring 2	4344	Water Hollow Drift Fence
4272	Water-Grassy--Bumper Fence	4342	Bumper Canyon Drift Fence
4476	Water Hollow Unit Fence	436476	East Rough Canyon Spring
431328	East Rough Canyon Spring #2		

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 Districts and Duchesne County. Musk Thistle has been found in Timber Canyon. 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 at (435) 790-7011.

Thanks for your cooperation and have a good summer.

Kristy Groves
Forest Supervisor

Actual Use Record

Allotment Timber 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
Cow-Calf Hollow			
Pine Hollow			
Jackson-Shotgun			
Timber Canyon			

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
Cow-Calf Hollow							
Timber Canyon							
Pine Hollow							
Jackson-Shotgun							

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

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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