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A term grazing permit for Superior was signed on June 1, 2010, with an associated Allotment Management Plan signed in 1979. Term grazing permits must remain in compliance with Forest Plan, Regulations, and Policy. These updates modify Superior term grazing permit per concurrence by United States Fish and Wildlife Service on January 15, 2008.

Changes Identified in Concurrence

Following changes are inserted into term grazing permit:

- Page 6, Part 3 Add:
 - 13. Limit utilization of key forage species between 30-40%. Woody browse will be limited to 50% annual growth. Measurements are taken at end of year or growing season, by weight. If utilization levels exceed desired percentage over multiple years, change in management practices may be warranted. Use of timing, intensity, frequency, and duration are appropriate adjustments to grazing.
 - 14. Seasonal utilization will be monitored on key forage species during grazing season. If during grazing year livestock meet utilization standards, adjustments may occur.
 - 15. A deferred or rest rotation livestock grazing strategy will be implemented, dependent on circumstances related to actions which occur during grazing year. Deferred and rest rotation strategies focus on offsetting grazing or a full year no grazing, respectively. A combination of both strategies may be appropriate for specific circumstances.

Appeal Rights

This modification is appealable under 36 CFR 214.4(a)(1). Your appeal of this term grazing permit modification must be fully consistent with 36 CFR 214.8. The Responsible Official, Tonto National Forest Supervisor Neil Bosworth is willing to meet with permittees to discuss concerns related to Term Grazing Permit.

A notice of appeal must be filed with Tonto National Forest Supervisor at 2324 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85006, within 45 days of this letters date (36 CFR 214.9). A copy





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of notice of appeal should be filed simultaneously with Mark Sando, District Ranger at 7680 S. Six Shooter Canyon Road, Globe, Arizona 85501. Appeal documents may be filed in person, mailed, or faxed to 602-225-5295.

Sincerely,

MARK SANDO District Ranger