

2020 ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS
WEST BEAR / DEL RIO ALLOTMENT 113
ALAMIDA LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY LLC.

PURPOSE AND NEED:

The objectives of these instructions are, prior to the grazing season, to:

- Identify specific management tools/resource objectives for this grazing season
- Review general permit administration and livestock management requirements, and
- Document any needs or agreements beyond the standard directions.

RESOURCE OBJECTIVES for this GRAZING SEASON

- The Forest has received good precipitation since the past growing season. To ensure cool season grass seedling establishment occurs, proper livestock management practices, e.g., distribution, timing of both grazing and recovery, and intensity of grazing, must be managed closely. Proper management will provide for plant maintenance, improved vigor, and maintenance/improvement of vegetative ground cover.
- Implement a documented short-term monitoring system that accounts for plant growth in relation to grazing and recovery periods.

AUTHORIZATION AND PLANNED USE: (Biological Plan)

See attached sheet.

GRAZING USE COORDINATION

- Changes from the Biological Plan are to be documented on the Actual Use.
- Move your livestock regardless of the dates shown on the Biological Plan to achieve the objective for the pasture.
- As a permit holder you are responsible for your representatives and/or employees following all Forest Officer instructions.

ALLOWABLE USE

Livestock moves will be based on avoiding a second bite of new growth and providing for the recovery (seed set) of previously grazed species. This will guide movement during the growing season. Moderate grazing use provides for sufficient plant biomass and litters to protect soil and other resources, and allows sufficient standing biomass to provide thermal protection to forage plants.

MONITORING

Short-term monitoring by pasture will note what species are green and being grazed while livestock are in the pasture. Before returning to that pasture those species will be field checked and their stature documented. This monitoring will determine both the timing of livestock moves and verify that the pasture is ready to be grazed. Long-term monitoring will note if resource objectives outlined in the Environmental Analysis are being met. This monitoring will again be completed this fall with the assistance of the Interagency Strategic Planning and Monitoring Team.

SALT AND SUPPLEMENTS

Salt, mineral and protein blocks are valuable distribution aids; thoughtful placement of these management tools is essential for betterment of the resource. Salt will not be located in heavy use areas, including within ¼ mile of water. Instead, place supplements to draw livestock to areas that normally receive only light use.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

2019 Range Improvements Completed:

SEE ATTACHED

2020 Planned Range Improvements:

SEE ATTACHED

TRAVEL MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS (TMR)

The Prescott National Forest designated a system of roads and trails that are open to motor vehicle use in 1989 through a Forest Plan Amendment #4. Motor vehicle use off the designated road system by the permit holder to conduct activities associated with administration of the term grazing permit is allowed under the terms and conditions of the term grazing permit.

PERMIT CONDITIONS

These Annual Operating Instructions are a part of the Term Grazing Permit as provided for in Part 2, Section 8(a). They comply with the standards and guidelines found in the Forest Plan. Failure to follow any of the terms and conditions specified in Parts 1, 2, and 3 of your Term Grazing Permit may result in suspension or cancellation, in whole or in part, after written notice. (Refer to Part 1, Section 3, of your permit.)

APPROVED BY:  02/06/2020
District Ranger Date

AGREED TO BY: Anne M. Verner 02/04/2020
Almida Land and Cattle Company LLC Date
Grazing Permittee

3 DA AOI #113
WBDR AOI

2019/20 Dormant Season Grazing Plan

10/28/2019

North 200 hd; drys, '18 hfrs (transfer to cows)

# Head	Pasture	Acres	Date In	Date Out	Days	HD	ADA's
200	Upper MC/Upper Horse	6055	10/19/2019	11/18/2019	30	6000	1.0
	52 Pairs, 57 '19 hfrs, 21 Bulls						
113	Lower MC/Pie	11735	10/23/2019	11/18/2019	26	2938	0.3
	Add drys from Upper MC						
313	Lower MC/Pie	11735	11/19/2019	2/27/2020	100	31300	2.7
313	Bear	4360	2/28/2020	4/1/2020	32	10016	2.3

South 196 head; wet cows

# Head	Pasture	Acres	Date In	Date Out	Days	HD	ADA's
141	Bull Well	6180	10/24/2019	2/29/2020	128	18048	2.9
141	House	1220	3/1/2020	3/14/2018	14	1974	1.6
55	Prospect	1985	10/24/2019	2/11/2020	110	6050	3.0
55	Bald Hill	985	2/12/2020	2/28/2020	18	990	1.0
55	White Tank	440	2/29/2020	3/14/2020	12	660	1.5
	Combine herd in White Tank						
196	Deep Hole	680	3/15/2020	3/21/2020	7	1372	2.0
196	Middle Trail	660	3/22/2020	3/28/2020	7	1372	2.1
196	Lucky	660	3/29/2020	4/4/2020	7	1372	2.1
	Off Hell Point to Bear Pasture first week of April						

2020 Grazing Year for WBDR

In addition to routine maintenance, the permittee is requesting to convert Daisy stock tank to an above ground trick tank, in order to ensure more reliable year around water. Currently the USFS and the permittee are seeking other partners for this project. Permittee has applied for and gotten an EQIP grant through the NRCS for juniper removal in the Wagontire area.

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2020 Growing Season Plan

4/6/2020

Hd	Pasture	Ac	Date In	Date Out	Days	HD	ADA's
509	McClure Trap	415	4/4/2020	4/6/2020	3	1527	3.7
509	Wagontire East	2525	4/7/2020	4/19/2020	14	7126	2.8
509	Santa Fe East	1055	4/20/2020	4/23/2020	4	2036	1.9
509	Rattlesnake 1	1240	4/24/2020	5/3/2020	10	5090	4.1
509	Rattlesnake 3	1030	5/4/2020	5/11/2020	8	4072	4.0
509	Rattlesnake 2	840	5/12/2020	5/17/2020	6	3054	3.6
509	Santa Fe West	1625	5/18/2020	5/23/2020	6	3054	1.9
509	Santa Fe East	1055	5/24/2020	5/29/2020	6	3054	2.9
	Spring works @ HQ						
500	Grindstone	1700	5/30/2020	6/2/2020	4	2000	1.2
500	Wintercamp	3500	6/3/2020	6/5/2020	3	1500	0.4
500	Bean	9890	6/6/2020	6/31/2020	24	12000	1.2
500	Rattlesnake 4/5	2005	7/1/2020	7/12/2020	12	6000	3.0
500	Santa Fe West	1625	7/13/2020	7/16/2020	4	2000	1.2
500	Wild Horse	1180	7/17/2020	7/23/2020	7	3500	3.0
500	King Spring	1080	7/24/2020	8/1/2020	9	4500	4.2
500	Middle Trail North	585	8/2/2020	8/6/2020	5	2500	4.3
500	Lucky	660	8/7/2020	8/10/2020	4	2000	3.0
500	Middle Trail	660	8/11/2020	8/16/2020	6	3000	4.5
500	Deep Hole	680	8/17/2020	8/22/2020	6	3000	4.4
500	Page	1070	8/23/2020	9/1/2020	9	4500	4.2
500	Little Page	715	9/2/2020	9/6/2020	5	2500	3.5
500	Hi Line	300	9/7/2020	9/10/2020	4	2000	6.7
500	Drake Trap	235	9/11/2020	9/14/2020	4	2000	8.5
500	Crazy Gate	1070	9/15/2020	9/23/2020	9	4500	4.2
500	Putney	1150	9/24/2020	10/2/2020	10	5000	4.3