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**Date:** April 16, 2012



Dear :

On April 13, 2012 you and met with John, Andy and me to discuss your 2012 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Black Canyon Allotment. The following is the pasture rotation and numbers as discussed and approved:

<u>Pasture</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Stermer	60 hd c/c	June 1 to July 7
Sharp Hollow	60 hd	July 8 to August 11
King Phillip	60 hd	August 12 to September 22
Porter	60 hd	September 23 to October 31

The Nelson pasture will be rested this year. The pasture rotation, season of use and numbers may vary depending on several factors including weather and forage conditions. The desired utilization level is 25% on key species in key areas. We would like you to monitor use levels after livestock leave the pasture.

By this letter, I also authorize you or people employed by you, to cut or remove any trees needed for fence posts and stays for the maintenance or construction of range improvements within the Black Canyon Allotment.

This letter will serve as your 2012 AOI. If you have any questions please contact us.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dee Hines DEE HINES District Ranger



