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Dear Permittee:

On April 29, 2025, Andy received an email from you with a proposed rotation for the 2025 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Buck Springs and Brown Creek Allotments. The pasture rotation and numbers agreed upon are as follows:

<u>Pasture</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Marshall/Penrod	126 Head	June 1 to June 29
Turkey	126 Head	June 30 to July 31
Elk Springs	126 Head	August 1 to August 23
Brushy	126 Head	August 24 to September 27
Buck Springs	126 Head	September 28 to October 31

The Whitcom Pastures will be rested this year. The numbers of authorized livestock include 99 cow/calf, 20 yearlings, and 7 bulls. All of the livestock will be processed/shipped off the Forest by November 8, 2025. Utilization standards for the 2025 grazing season should not exceed an average of 35% on grasses and shrubs in the woodland areas, a 20% average not to exceed 40% in the ponderosa pine and a maximum of 40% use in riparian areas. Utilization is measured on key species in key areas. Adjustments to this rotation may be needed during the grazing season. Any adjustments to the rotation need to be coordinated and approved by the Forest Service. When moving between pastures, livestock need to be completely moved out of the pasture within 3 days of the planned rotation date. You must notify the Forest Service in advance if there is a need to deviate from the planned move date.

By this letter, I also authorize you or people working for you to cut, use or remove any trees needed for fence posts and stays for maintenance of structural range improvements within the Buck Springs and Brown Creek Allotments. A copy of this letter must be in possession with you or them while engaged in any tree cutting.

Any range improvement projects and ground disturbing activities need to be coordinated with the Forest Service to make sure all clearances have been obtained before any work can begin on the ground. This process needs to be started well in advance of the proposed work.

If you have any questions, please contact Andy at the Lakeside office, (928) 368-2105. This letter will serve as your Annual Operating Instructions for the 2025 grazing year on the Buck Springs and Brown Creek Allotments. In addition, I am always willing to meet with the permittee to hear and discuss any concerns or issues related to these Annual Operating Instructions.

Sincerely,



CHARLES DENTON  
District Ranger

