2021 ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS SPRINGERVILLE RANGER DISTRICT

Allotment Name: Basin and Greens Peak

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers and dates:

Greens Peak	293 AUMs	06/01 to 10/31
Basin	41 AUMs	01/01 to 02/15

*Livestock number will vary between 0 and 771 AUMs and season of use will be determined, annually based on range readiness and resource conditions. Dates will vary from those shown.

Annual Authorization livestock numbers and dates:

Greens Peak	40 c/c	07/15 to 10/31
Basin	27 c/c	01/01 to 02/15

The level of authorized use and grazing schedule as indicated in this AOI are based on the best information available at this time. These are subject to change as actual site-specific forage conditions and available livestock watering sources are determined at the start of and during the annual authorized season of use.

Pasture	Use Period*	Midpoint	Number	Key Species**	Allowable Use			
		Date	of Days		Guideline			
GREENS PEAK A	ALLOTMENT							
Atascacita	7/15-07/28	7/21	14	Care/POA/Fear/Deca/and Muwr/Bogr	30-40%			
Becker-Sherlock	7/29-08/24	8/11	27					
Udall	8/25-9/25	9/09	32					
North Springs	9/26-10/15	10/05	20					
Atascacita	10/16-10/31	10/23	16					
Carnero	RESTED							
Horse Pasture	On and Off th	roughout s	eason to					
	wo	rk cattle						
BASIN ALLOTMENT								
Basin	1/01-2/15	1/23	45	Bogr	30-40%			
Picnic	1/01-2/15	1/23	36					
	as needed with							
	small number							
	of animals							

Table 1. Pasture Rotation Schedule

*Dates will be adjusted if allowable use guideline levels in the stocked pastures are reached sooner than anticipated.

**CARE=sedges, POA=bluegrass species, Fear=Arizona fescue, Deca=Tufted hairgrass, Muwr=Spiked muhly, Bogr=Blue grama, Bltr=pine dropseed. Key species may be adjusted as necessary to reflect those receiving the most grazing pressure based on time of the year.

Utilization Monitoring: The allowable use guideline for each pasture is shown in Table 1. Livestock grazing utilization monitoring may be conducted in key areas near the midpoint or end of the grazing period, or at the end of the growing season for each pasture. It is your responsibility to take action so that livestock grazing does not exceed the allowable use guidelines. Proper salt placement (more than a ¹/₄ mile from water, and away from roads), hauling water, and herding or riding are recommended. If the problem cannot be corrected with preventative measures, then early exits from the pastures, adjustments in the AMP, stocking levels, or other management or administrative actions may be necessary.

The purpose of utilization monitoring is to ensure that herbaceous vegetation is managed to provide for suitable habitat and forage for various wildlife species (i.e. Mexican Spotted Owl and Northern Goshawk prey base), to meet physiological requirements for forage and browse plants, and promote or maintain proper range/watershed conditions.

Maintenance of range improvements: Permittees will maintain assigned range improvements within their Allotment. This is in accordance with Part 3, clause 2 of the term grazing permit. If your neighbor is turning out before you on an adjacent pasture and the boundary fence is your responsibility, this **FENCE MUST BE REPAIRED BEFORE YOUR NEIGHBOR TURNS OUT.**

Livestock Distribution: Salting and maintaining improvements are good ways to achieve proper livestock distribution. Frequent riding may be necessary to break up concentrations of livestock. A full-time rider may be needed to herd livestock onto lightly used areas, reducing grazing pressure on riparian areas and meadows.

Fire Prevention: All vehicles should be equipped with a properly functioning exhaust system. A shovel and axe for use in extinguishing camp and forest fires should be carried. All open camp and branding fires, when allowed, must have a fire ring down to the mineral soil, and be handled in a safe manner. All State and local fire regulations and restrictions will be observed. Report any fires to fire dispatch at **928-333-6360.**