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Dear Melissa,

This letter is to serve as Amendment to the 2024/2025 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Hackberry Allotment.

The table below represents the amended Grazing Schedule (Section II) for the Hackberry Allotment for the 2024/2025 grazing season:

I. AUTHORIZED LIVESTOCK NUMBERS/PERIOD OF USE/APPROVED NON-USE

Your 2024/2025 Amended authorized Use Request has been approved and you are authorized the following Livestock Numbers and Periods of Use:

143 cows November 3, 2024 to February 28, 2025

II. GRAZING SCHEDULE

***Changes to the grazing schedule may occur due to climate and changes will be made only with prior Forest Service approval.**

The following is the planned grazing sequence for the Pivot Rock 2023 grazing season:

Pasture	Dates	Number	
Pipeline	11/05-11/19	143 cows	14 days
Buckhead	11/20-12/04	143 cows	14 days
Basin/Doren's	12/05-12/19	143 cows	14 days
Pambo*****	12/20-01/03/25	143 cows	14 days
Hackberry	01/04-02/02	143 cows	30 days
Jim's 1	02/03-02/17	143 cows	14 days
Jim's 2	02/18-02/25	143 cows	7 days
Mesquite	02/26-03/19	143 cows	14 to 21 days

***** If and only when boundary fence with Fossil Creek is done to FS standards.

It was discussed on the Nov 5th field trip that we need to stay in communication with each other and go out to the pastures to visit and assess the conditions prior to rotations. The



review will help us determine if the forage is able to support the rotation dates that we talked about on the 5th. If we see any negative effects on the available forage then we can talk about the best steps moving forward. Water availability was another thing we discussed and it is essential to your operation, this will also help us stay in communication to determine what options we have. Remember, pasture moves are approximate.

Rested (no grazing) Hackberry pastures for the 2024-2025 Grazing Season: Teepee, Lower, Middle and Upper Towel, and Bull Run

The Annual stocking level (annual authorized livestock numbers and dates) are considered approximate. The actual dates and numbers may change due to many variables. The annual stocking level is based on current and expected forage production. The planned use period in a pasture and livestock numbers can/should be adjusted if conditions change, either (shortened or lengthened, depending on forage availability but not in excess of the permitted numbers and utilization levels in key areas).

III. RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

Range Improvement Maintenance

Range improvements assigned to you for maintenance have been identified in red on the permit maps of your term grazing permit. These improvements are to be fully maintained annually to comply with permit requirements (Part 2, section 8i). Any maintenance you perform must conform to the standards specified by your District Rangeland Management Specialist. The grazing permittee is responsible for all maintenance materials, supplies and equipment necessary to properly maintain all range structural improvements.

****Please note that you must notify the District Rangeland Management Specialist at least 60 days prior to beginning any maintenance work that requires the use of heavy equipment (ex. maintenance of earthen stock tanks).**

Scheduled for Projects/Maintenance Grazing Year 2024/2025:

Location	Project	Completion
Allotment boundary fence with Fossil Creek allotment	Inspect, repair and rebuild section so this fence at least five (5) days before going into the pasture, this will allow use of the Pambo pasture.	
Allotment & pasture fences	Fences on the Fence Maintenance Responsibility Map will all be inspected and repaired five (5) days prior to cattle entering the assigned pastures	

VI. DROUGHT MANAGEMENT

To aide in determining the initial livestock numbers the Standard Precipitation Index (SPI) and the US Drought Monitor Report was discussed. The SPI and the US Drought Monitor showed our area as mostly Moderate drought. It was agreed that due to the above factors as well as that with the current precipitation conditions and the fact that there was abundant forage left over at

the end of the growing season the livestock numbers would remain the same unless the allotment moves into a negative drought status.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss anything further, please feel free to contact Rangeland Management Specialist, Kathy Sevy at (928) 203-7537, Noelle Resignolo at (928) 203-7517, and Donna Fouts at (928) 203-7530.

Sincerely,

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Deputy District Ranger

Actual Use Monitoring Form

Allotment Name: Pivot Rock Year: 2024 (11/05/2024 to 2/28/2025)[illegible]

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