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## Dear Permittee;

The following are your 2024 annual operating instructions (AOI) for your allotment.

<u>Authorized Use</u> Below are authorized livestock numbers per grazing unit, anticipated use dates, and proposed monitoring dates. Please fill out a *Modification of AOI* form in advance of the proposed dates and request approval. Please maintain and submit records that indicate your compliance to permitted use. You are authorized 353 adult cattle and 33 bulls yearlong. You are also authorized 170 yearlings 3/1/2024-5/20/2024.

Grazing Unit Herd A	Dates of Use	Monitoring Date	Livestock # and Type	
Hicks Pasture 3/1/2024-3/10/20		3/1/2024	124 cows, 11 bulls	
RIP	3/10/2024-5/26/2024 4/20/2024		same	
Murphy	5/27/2024-7/29/2024 7/1/2024		same	
Kenny/Holly 7/29/2024-10/7/2024		9/1/2024	same	
West 10/8/2024-1/6/2024 11/20/2024		same		
Lower Devore	1/6/2025-2/29/2025	2/1/2024	same	

Herd B			116 cows, 9 bulls	
West Ortega	3/1/2024-3/31/2024	3/15/2024	same	
Horseshoe Bend	4/1/2024-8/19/2024	5/20/2024 & 7/20/2024	same	
Норе	8/20/2024-11/24/2024	10/15/2024	same	
East Ortega	11/25/2024-2/29/2025	1/20/2025	same	

Herd C			105 cows, 9 bulls
Upper Shute	3/1/2024-4/25/2024	4/1/2024	same
Windmill	4/26/2024-7/1/2024	6/1/2024	same
Upper Steer	7/2/2024-10/28/2024	9/15/2024	same
Lower Steer	10/29/2024-2/29/2025	1/10/2025	same

Herd D (Yearlings)			
Upper/Lower Big	3/1/2024-5/20/2024	4/1/2024	170 yearlings





Range Improvement Maintenance: All range improvements must be maintained to Forest Service standards (available at District Office) before cattle will be allowed to enter pastures. Stock Tank cleaning is authorized provided there is a forest service road or motorized vehicle trail to said stock tank, and only until fire restrictions begin. You must contact Ryan Summers one week prior to cleaning each tank to receive final clearance. improvements must be maintained to Forest Service standards (available at District Office) before cattle will be allowed to enter pastures.

Pasture	Location	Description of Work	Clearances Needed	Dates Completed
Horseshoe Bend	Procopio Spring	Make functional	None	4/1/2024
Kenney	Indian Spring	Make functional	None	7/29/2024
Holly	Lauren Spring Pipeline	*Extend Pipeline back into Holly Pasture from Poison Springs	USFS NEPA	TBD

<sup>\*</sup>USFS Range Staff will push this project through NEPA analysis once it is confirmed that Procopio and Indian Spring are functional.

## Allowable Use Standards:

Vegetation	Use Threshold	
Upland herbaceous species	30-40% of current year's growth	
Upland browse species	50% of current year's growth	
Riparian herbaceous species	Limited to 40% of plant species biomass and maintain 6-8 inches of stubble height on deergrass	

If you have any questions, please contact Ryan Summers at <a href="mailto:ryan.summers@usda.gov">ryan.summers@usda.gov</a> or 928-242-6125.

Sincerely,

Signed by: Department of Agriculture

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