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Taylor Stake-LDS Church Atnn: Jay Whipple P.O. Box 403 Taylor, AZ 85939

Dear Jay:

Agriculture

On March 26, 2012 you and Quinn Smith met with John and Andy to discuss the 2012 Annual Operating Instructions for the Johnson Allotment. The grazing numbers and season of use as discussed are 25 c/c from August 15 to October 1. Adjustments to these numbers and season of use may be needed during the grazing season.

The desired utilization level is 25 to 30% within key areas on key species. The key species are blue grama and western wheat in key area #1. In key area #2, the species are blue grama and squirreltail. The key areas are identified on the attached map.

These Annual Operating Instructions are appealable under 36 CFR 251. If you decide to appeal these instructions, you must file a notice of appeal in accordance with 36 CFR 251.87. You have 45 days from the date of these Annual Operating Instructions to file a notice of appeal with the Forest Supervisor, Apache - Sitgreaves National Forests, P.O. Box 640, Springerville, AZ 85938 and you must send a copy of the appeal to the District Ranger, Lakeside Ranger District, 2022 W. White Mountain Blvd., Lakeside, AZ 85929. It is the responsibility of the appellant to provide the Forest Supervisor sufficient narrative evidence and argument to show why the decision should be reversed or changed in accordance with 36 CFR 251.90

I am willing to meet with the permittee to hear and discuss any concerns or issues related to these Annual Operating Instructions. This letter will serve as your 2012 Annual Operating Instructions for the Johnson Allotment. If you have any questions please contact Kendell, John or Andy at (928) 535 - 7300.

Sincerely,

/s/ Edward W. Collins EDWARD W. COLLINS **District Ranger** 

