

**NOGALES RANGER DISTRICT  
CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST  
ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTION (AOI)**

**Johnson Springs Allotment  
2025 Grazing Year**

**I. PERMITTED USE:** The following table illustrates the number of livestock and period of use permitted on the Johnson Springs Allotment as per Term Grazing Permit #50278.

KIND	CLASS	TERM PERMIT		PERMITTED PERIOD OF USE
		Numbers	AUMs	
Cattle	Cow/Calf	155	1,860	03/01 – 02/28
	Yearlings			
	Bulls			
Horses	Mature			03/01 – 02/28
	<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>03/01 – 02/28</b>

**II. AUTHORIZED USE:** Actual dates may vary dependent upon climatic conditions, potential fires, when utilization levels are reached, and time required to move cattle. The following numbers and classes of livestock are authorized to graze on the Johnson Springs Allotment:

KIND	CLASS	NUMBER	AUMs	PROPOSED SEASON OF USE
Cattle	Cow/Calf	65	780	03/01 – 02/28
	Bulls	7	101	
Horses	Mature			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>03/01 – 02/28</b>

**III. ROTATION SCHEDULE:** Actual dates may vary dependent upon climatic conditions, when utilization levels are reached, and time required to remove cattle. It is understood that it may take 3 to 4 weeks to completely gather all cattle out of the larger pastures.

Pasture	Proposed Numbers	Proposed Season of Use	Use Standard
Henry Tank	72	03/01/2025-04/01/2025	45%
Johnson Spring	72	04/01/2025-07/01/2025	45%
Johnson	72	07/01/2025-09/01/2025	35%
Temporal	72	09/01/2025-12/01/2025	45%
Mountain	72	12/01/2025-02/28/2026	45%

**IV. ALLOWABLE USE STANDARDS**

Allowable use of forage is based on the amount and kind of forage on the allotment, plant needs, range condition, trend, and grazing management strategy. Duration, frequency, and timing may be manipulated within the grazing schedule to meet allowable use standards.

The allowable use levels for this allotment are established for key areas and key species by pasture for the time period livestock are in a pasture. The use on key species in key areas may determine the length of the grazing period in the pasture. The establishment of the utilization standards is consistent with 36 CFR 222 regulations, FSM 2210 and 2230, and FSH 2209.21.

For simplicity, key areas are generally considered as follows: 1) full capacity rangeland located on ridgetops/mesas within a 1/4 mile from available water sources; 2) canyon bottoms/riparian areas with free flowing water or springs regardless of distance from water; 3) any area containing full capacity range with erosive soils and insufficient/marginal ground cover to protect the soil; or 4) areas containing habitat, whether occupied, suitable and unoccupied, or potentially suitable habitat, for threatened, endangered, or proposed species that are of concern to the Forest Service.

Key areas may be further defined on a map or land description, which may be attached to this Annual Operating Instruction.

**V. ADMINISTRATION**

- Grazing fees must be paid prior to March 1, 2025.

**X. ALLOTMENT INSPECTIONS**

Forest personnel may conduct periodic brief inspections of pastures within the allotment at any time to verify actual use, improvement conditions, or other non-range related activity. The permittee will be notified and invited to participate with inspections.

**XI. PERMIT CONDITIONS**

This Annual Operating Instruction is hereby made a part of the Term Grazing Permit as provided for in Part 2, Section 8(a). It complies with the standards and guidelines found in the Forest Plan.

Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions specified in Parts 1, 2, and 3 of your Term Grazing Permit may result in suspension or cancellation, in whole or in part, after written notice. This is found in Part 1, Section 3, of your permit.

Management direction and guidelines apply as specified in the 09/2021 Biological Opinion and Conference Opinion for on-going livestock grazing on the Coronado National Forest.

**XII. ROADS**

Vehicular access on established roads can be essential for structural range improvement maintenance, supplement placement and general ranch duties. Any open road to the public (road on Motor Vehicle Use Map- *MVUM*) may be used at any time for any reason. The use of other established roads must be authorized within the Term Grazing Permit or in the Annual Operating Instructions. Cross country may be authorized by written permission from the District Ranger. Vehicular access is authorized on the following Forest Service inventoried roads not on the MVUM:

Road Number (From TAP Maps)	Reason for Use	Comments (i.e., Use Standard, special concerns or instructions)
		Allotment will not be affected at this time by road closures.

**XIII. Non-Use**

A non-use of 979 AUMs on this allotment for resource protection, however, could be used later determined by other allotment conditions.

  
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