

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Lakeside Ranger District

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Gaylan Flake Lake Mountain Allotment 465 E Belly Button Lane Taylor, AZ 85933

Dear Gaylan:

On May 5, 2016 you met with Kendell, Andy and Matt to discuss the Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Lake Mountain Allotment. The grazing rotation and numbers for this season, as discussed are as follows:

<u>Pasture</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Reservation	125 hd c/c	June 20 to July 10
Lake Mountain	125 hd c/c	July 11 to August 11
Wolf	125 hd c/c	August 12 to September 12
Doyle	125 hd c/c	September 12 to October 5
Mineral	125 hd c/c	October 6 to October 31

The Porter, Quakie, and Firebox pastures will be rested this season. However, if one pasture needs to be utilized for a short period of time due to water availability, precipitation, or forage availability please contact Matt or Kendell prior to making changes and arrange an edit to the grazing schedule. Utilization monitoring will be done again this season and the desired level is 25% to 35% on key species in key areas. We would like to monitor with you after the livestock leave a pasture. There may also be tree cutting and thinning occurring in Mineral Pasture near Merlyn Tank during the summer months. This may require coordination with the contractor and the permittee, on where the contractor may need access through livestock fences.

By this letter, I also authorize you and ranch personnel to cut, use, or remove any trees needed for fence post and stays for maintenance of structural range improvements within the Lake Mountain Allotment. A copy of this letter must be in possession by you or them while engaged in tree cutting.

This letter will serve as your 2016 Annual Operating Instructions for the Lake Mountain Allotment. If you have any questions, please contact Kendell or Matt at 928-368-2105 or 928-535-7300.

Sincerely,

EDWARD COLLINS District Ranger





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