

**GRAZING YEAR 2019-2020
ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS
LIMESTONE ALLOTMENT**

The objectives of these instructions are, prior to the grazing season, to:

- identify specific management tools/resource objectives for this grazing season
- review general permit administration and livestock management requirements, and
- document any needs or agreements beyond the standard directions.

MANAGEMENT TOOLS/RESOURCE OBJECTIVES for this GRAZING SEASON

Proper livestock management practices, e.g., distribution, timing of grazing, and intensity of grazing, must be managed closely to provide for plant maintenance, improved vigor, and maintenance/improvement of vegetative ground cover.

AUTHORIZATION

Upon payment of fees, livestock are authorized as follows for 2019-2020:

<u>Number of Cattle</u>	<u>Pasture</u>	<u>Grazing Period (may be modified to meet utilization)</u>
232	Bullock	11/1/19-1/10/20
232	Telegraph	1/11/20-2/28/20

The Forest Officer must be given actual use, by pasture, after livestock are off the allotment.

Any change from these Annual Operating Instructions is to be coordinated and confirmed in advance with the Forest Officer, best if a week or two in advance. If emergency conditions require making a change immediately, notify the Forest Officer promptly.

Move your livestock regardless of the date shown above, to avoid exceeding utilization levels. If utilization levels are appropriate then livestock moves must be 90% accomplished by the dates given above.

You are responsible for your representatives and/or employees following all Forest Officer instructions.

ALLOWABLE USE

Cattle will be moved to the next scheduled pasture or off the allotment when allowable use standards are met, no matter what the dates on paper are.

The following is maximum allowable use: **Uplands:** *On palatable grasses:* 40% while actively growing, 55% during dormant periods. This percentage is of the total weight of the current year's production. *On shrubs:* browsing of 50% of available leaders. **Riparian:** *On palatable grasses and sedges:* 30% of the total weight available. *On shrubs:* browsing of 50% of available leaders.

Failure to remove your cattle to avoid use above the allowable levels is a violation of these instructions and the terms of your grazing permit.

SALT AND SUPPLEMENTS

The thoughtful placement of salt, mineral, and protein is a valuable distribution aid. Do not place salt, protein, or other supplements in heavy use areas or within a ¼ mile of water (this includes seeps and springs). Instead, place supplements to draw livestock to areas that normally receive only light use.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

Maintenance will follow the standards in your Part 3 of your grazing permit. **In addition** to routine maintenance, the following is planned for this year:

The *Permittee* will:

- 112092 Stringfield Waterlot
- 112073 Road 174 CG
- 112090 Redhat Waterlot
- 112087 Upper Limestone Waterlot
- 112091 Manzanita Waterlot
- 112113 Hells Well corral
- 112063 Little Water Stock Tank and close two tracks
- 112089 Hells Well waterlot clean-up
- 112072 Bullock CG
- 112079 Hells Canyon Waterlot
- 112088 Hells Well Pasture
- 112105 Limestone CV Fence
- All Bullock Fence

The *Forest Service* will:

Complete proper surveys for improvements, supply material when available.

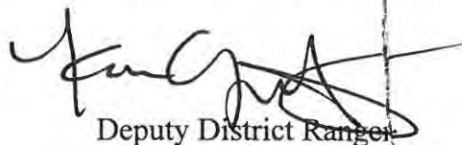
MANAGEMENT SUGGESTIONS

PERMIT CONDITIONS

The Prescott National Forest designated a system of roads and trails that are open to motor vehicle use in 1989 through Forest Plan Amendment #4. Motor vehicle use off the designated road system by the permit holder to conduct activities associated with administration of the term grazing permit is allowed under the terms and conditions of the term grazing permit.

These Annual Operating Instructions are a part of the Term Grazing Permit as provided for in Part 2, Section 8(a). They comply with the standards and guidelines found in the Forest Plan. Failure to follow 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. (Refer to Part 1, Section 3, of your permit.)

APPROVED BY:


Deputy District Ranger

9/20/19
Date

AGREED TO BY:


Permittee

9/20/19
Date

Column1	Column2	Column3
*ID	Name	*Improvement Type
YEAR 1 FROM 6-1-2019 TO 5-31-2020		
112092	STRINGFIELD WATERLOT	FENCE
112073	ROAD 174 CG	CATTLEGUARD
112090	RED HAT WATER LOT	FENCE
112087	U LIMESTONE WLOT	FENCE
112091	MANZANITA WATERLOT	FENCE
112113	HELLS WELL CORRAL	HANDLING_FACILITY
112063	LITTLE WATER STK + TWO TRACK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112089	HELLS WELLWATERLOT-CLEAN UP	FENCE
112072	BULLOCK CG	CATTLEGUARD
112079	HELLS CANYON WL	FENCE
112088	HELLS WELL PASTURE	FENCE NEEDED? REMOVE?
112105	LIMESTONE C V FEN	FENCE
	ALL BULLOCK FENCE	
YEAR 2 FROM 6-1-2020 TO 5-31-2021		
112051	CEMENT TANK-TRICK TANK? NRCS? PIPELINE?	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112101	MEATH WATER LOT	FENCE
112112	U LIMESTONE CORRAL	HANDLING_FACILITY
112116	SPRING CANYON COR	HANDLING_FACILITY
112024	HELLS WELL	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112083	DRIFT FENCE	FENCE
112084	L LIMESTONE PASTURE	FENCE
112085	L LIMESTONE W LOT	FENCE
112074	LIMESTONE CV FEN	FENCE
112034	POOL SEEP-SCREEN-TROUGH OVERFLOWING	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112094	POOL SEEP FEN	FENCE
112036	POOL TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
	WINEGLASS SPLIT EXISTING FENCE	
	ALL SOUTH WINEGLASS FENCE	
YEAR 3 FROM 6-1-2021 TO 5-31-2022		
112026	RED HAT STOCK TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112028	MANAZANITA TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112093	BARRATA WATER LOT	FENCE
112037	COTTON DAM	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112041	STORM SEEP	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112044	RAILROAD TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112045	PEA VINE TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112076	LIMESTONE FS BDRY	FENCE
	ALL UPPER LIMESTONE FENCE	
YEAR 4 FROM 6-1-2022 TO 5-31-2023		
112014	L LIMESTONE STK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112046	CORDES TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112097	CORDES WATERLOT	FENCE
112048	RUIN TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112098	RUIN TANK WATERLOT	FENCE
112050	WHITEHILL TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112052	RAILROAD FILL TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112099	RR FILL WATER LOT	FENCE

112056	DRAKE CG	CATTLEGUARD
112058	SPRING CANYON TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112102	SPRING CAN FEN	FENCE
112061	NATURAL TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112115	COTTON DAM CORRAL	HANDLING_FACILITY
112095	COTTON DAM PASTURE	FENCE
112096	COTTON DAM WATERLOT	FENCE
ALL NORTH WINEGLASS FENCE		
YEAR 5 FROM 6-1-2023 TO 5-31-2024		
112065	MEATH SEEP	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112066	YARBRO TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112067	WINEGLASS TANK	WATER_SYSTEM_RANGE
112071	NORTH BOUNDRY CG	CATTLEGUARD
112075	LIMESTONE W BEAR FEN	FENCE
112086	U LIMESTONEPASTURE- IN PROCESS OF REMOVAL	FENCE
112078	AT SF LIMESTONE FEN	FENCE
112080	AT SF LIMESTONE FE	FENCE
112100	LIMESTONE BDRY FEN	FENCE
112114	BARRATA CORRAL	HANDLING_FACILITY
112103	BULLOCK PASTUREFEN	FENCE
112104	FS BOUNDARY FEN	FENCE
112111	LOWER LIMESTONE COR	HANDLING_FACILITY
112118	LIMESTONE CAN	HANDLING_FACILITY
ALL BARRETA FENCE		
<p>UNKOWNS RR FENCE, WINEGLASS FENCE</p> <p>X2. All dirt tanks and improvements are to be maintained only if possible, if a tank is too wet, that decision is made ultimately by the District Ranger with the RMS recommendation. Process for not cleaning/maintaining improvement: permittee/manager call RMS minimum one month prior to deadline to look at improvement in field together. All work will require Permit Mod and maintained to to correct pre-determined standard. All trash/old improvement hauled off and disposed of correctly. This maintenance list is part of the permit. This maintenace list does not include routine maintenance that is completed throughout the year. Each year the appropriate improvements will be documented in the AOI.</p>		

2019
Annual Operating Instructions
Amendment #1
Limestone Allotment *112*

This document serves as Amendment #1 of your 2019 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Limestone Allotment. This amendment only affects section II Grazing Schedule of the 2019 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI). The rest of the AOI would not change.

The Planned Graze period was adjusted per Adaptive Management Principles. This plan may be amended again to fit with the spring moisture and spring growing period.

II. GRAZING SCHEDULE

PASTURE NAME	PLANNED GRAZE PERIOD	LIVESTOCK NUMBERS
Wineglass	11-01-19 to 12-15-19	232
Bullock	12-16-19 to 01-15-20	232
Telegraph	01-16-20 to 02-29-20	232

ACCEPTED BY:  10/7/19
Permittee Date

APPROVED BY:  10/25/19
District Ranger Date