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Pinto Creek Allotment  
Date: 01/17/2023

Pinto Valley Mining Corp

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The following are your 2023 Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Pinto Creek grazing allotment. These instructions have been developed from collaboration with you and in consideration of Forest Service Handbook 2209.13, Tonto National Forest Plan, associated National Environmental Policy Act analysis, Allotment Management Plan, and available information describing range conditions.

**Authorized Use**

I have approved your application to graze up to 251 head of cattle, 17 bulls, and 30 yearlings (1/1-5/31) on the Pinto Creek allotment. The following table outlines the grazing rotation:

Pasture	On	Off	# Days
<b>Herd A (115 cows, 8 bulls, 10 heifers, and 15 Yrl)</b>			
Apache	1/15/2023	6/1/2023	138
Mormon	6/2/2023	10/15/2023	136
East/Bull	10/16/2023	2/28/2024	136
<b>Herd B (116 cows, 9 bulls, 10 heifers, and 15 Yrl)</b>			
Pinto Creek	12/7/2022	4/7/2023	122
Bell	4/8/2023	8/7/2023	122
Haunted/JK/Registered	8/8/2023	11/24/2023	109
Pinto Peak	11/24/2023	4/12/2024	141

The schedule & level of authorized use above is an estimate and may be modified at any time prior to or during the grazing season if utilization levels, are met, if water availability is inadequate, or for other resource management reasons. Please fill out a *Modification of AOI* request well in advance of the proposed dates. Please, maintain and submit records that indicate your compliance to permitted use.



**Utilization Standards**

Forage utilization will be managed at a level providing for grazed plant recovery, increase in herbage production and retention of herbaceous litter to protect soils. Utilization standards are found in the allotment AMP.

**Range Improvement Maintenance:**

All range improvements must be maintained to Forest Service standards as stated in your Term Grazing Permit. Stock. Routine maintenance of existing improvements does not require written clearance; however, construction or reconstruction of improvements must be authorized in writing from this office. 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 District Range personnel prior to cleaning each tank to receive final clearance.

We appreciate your cooperation in the management of the Pinto Creek Allotment. If you have any questions regarding these instructions, please contact Tyler D. McCafferty, Range Staff, at [tyler.mccafferty@usda.gov](mailto:tyler.mccafferty@usda.gov).

Sincerely,

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