

Ryan C&H Allotment
Annual Operating Instructions

These are the Annual Operating Instructions for 2024 and the Spring of 2025 grazing season and will be considered part of your Term Grazing Permit. The changes in the agreed upon operation of the allotment have been approved in writing by the North Kaibab District Ranger.

I. Permitted/Authorized

Territorial Livestock									
Term Grazing Permit					Authorized				
Livestock Kind	NO's	On Date	Off Date	Head Months	Livestock Kind	NO's	On Date	Off Date	Head Months
Cow/Calf	65	03/01	04/14	96	Cow/Calf	65	03/01	04/14	96
Cow/Calf	186	04/15	11/01	1229	Cow/Calf	186	04/15	11/01	1229
Cow/Calf	65	11/02	02/28	256	Cow/Calf	65	11/02	02/28	256
Horse	5	03/01	02/28	60	Horse	5	03/01	02/28	60

***These dates are tentative.** The dates and sequences of use may be changed due to forage and/or weather or moisture conditions. It is expected that the "summer" pastures will be grazed from April 15 through October 31 and the "winter" pastures will be grazed from November 1 through April 14. Forage production may be reduced in areas of high burn intensity from the Mangum fire. If for these reasons or any others you wish to make changes, *please discuss it with us before you do so.*

II. Grazing Schedule for 2021

PASTURE	AUTHORIZED LIVESTOCK	SEASON*	% Utilization
North and South Winter	65	1/1-4/1	40%
South Winter	65	4/2-4/14	40%
(Summer Pastures) Burn, Highway, LeFevre, Warm Springs & Wildhorse	186	4/15-10/31**	40%
North and South Winter	65	11/2-12/31	40%

II. Approval of Environmental Assessment (Is this section still needed?)

The Houserock, Suicide, and Ryan Allotment Management Plan Revision Environmental Assessment Decision was signed in September 2006. The following decisions tied to that document are approved to be implemented:

- Construction of a new dirt tank in LeFevre (Cooper) Canyon.
- Cleaning and treat ten dirt tanks with bentonite clay.
- Standard 40% allowable utilization across the allotment.

III. Permittee Management Responsibilities

1. The permit is not validated until the grazing fees are paid and the livestock are turned onto the forest, in that order.
2. The proper placement of salt or mineral supplement is a valuable distribution aid. Salt or mineral supplement will not be located closer than ¼ mile from water, fences, and other areas of livestock concentrations. Salt and mineral supplements will not be placed within sight of roads, trails, and any area frequented by the public. Salt will also be moved from grazed areas to ungrazed areas as needed.
3. Herd your animals into unused portions of the allotment to prevent over utilization. Cattle will be herded away from Highway 89A to prevent permittee's loss and danger to highway users.
4. The end of the season as specified above is the date by which the authorized number of livestock are to be removed from the allotment. As you know, it is not possible to gather and remove livestock in one or two days, and we encourage you to start moving livestock in advance of the off date so that a violation of the permit does not occur.
5. The existing Allotment Management Plan allows deferred use in the winter pastures, use can occur in one or both until March 15. After March 15 cattle are to be moved into the South Winter pasture, giving the North Winter a deferment during the growing season.
6. Any cattle that die by either natural causes or are hit on the highway should be removed and properly disposed of as soon as possible. If condors are present on the carcass, please leave it as is and contact the North Kaibab Ranger District as soon as possible.

IV. Forage Utilization Standards

The forage utilization standards have undergone consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service under Section 7 Consultation.

Forage utilization standards are set at 40% of the current year's production in key areas (40% allowable use) on all Ryan pastures. Key areas are generally those that contain available forage at least a ½ mile from a water source. Each pasture will be monitored at least once during the grazing season.

Key areas to be monitored			
Pasture	Key Area Number	Location	Topography
Highway	310101	Orderville Tank	Valley
Highway	310102	FR249/249A jct	Upland
Burn	310201	248A Road Tank	Upland
Burn	310401	Upper Wildhorse Tank	Upland
Warm Springs	310601	Buck Lake	Meadow
Warm Springs	310602	Cluster 5	Upland
Wildhorse	310701	Wildhorse Park	Meadow

V. Improvement Maintenance

All improvements within each pasture, and fences between pastures, are to be maintained and operational prior to the entry date for that pasture. Improvement maintenance standards can be found on pages 4-7 of your Term Grazing Permit. Improvements are to be maintained during years of partial or total non-use; improvements within any rested pastures are to be maintained.

PROJECTS	RESPONSIBILITY
1. Install paneling for water lot at Buck Lake	Materials – Forest Service Instillation – Permittee
2.	
3.	

VI. Other Resource Management Activities

Timber Management:

Timber harvest/thinning activities will continue in the areas south and west of HWY 89 and north of Jacob Lake. Fences may be opened to allow access by harvest equipment in these areas. Please work with the Forest Service to help address any problems or concerns you may have with this activity.

Vegetation Management (Fire):

Continued use of managed fire is expected to continue in the Jacob Lake area of the warm spring pasture. These planned activities will depend on moisture and weather conditions.

Any change to this plan requires prior written approval of the District Ranger. Changes not authorized by the District Ranger in advance are violations of the terms and conditions of the permit and can result in suspension or cancellation of the Term Grazing Permit, in whole or in part.

Following these Annual Operating Instructions will meet the Section 7 consultation requirements on the Allotment.

/s/ David Johnson Territorial Livestock Permittee:	Date
/s/ Randall Walker <i>Randall Walker</i> District Ranger:	02/29/2024 Date