

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

**Sardina Allotment
2025 Grazing Year**

I. PERMITTED USE: The following table illustrates the number of livestock and period of use permitted on the Sardina Allotment as per Term Grazing Permit #50268.

KIND	CLASS	TERM PERMIT		PERMITTED PERIOD OF USE
		Numbers	AUMs	
Cattle	Cow/Calf	350 for 9 months	3,176	03/01 – 02/28
	Yearlings			
	Bulls			
Horses	Mature			03/01 – 02/28
	Total	350 for 9 months	3,176	03/01 – 02/28

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 Sardina Allotment:

KIND	CLASS	NUMBER	AUMs	PROPOSED SEASON OF USE
Cattle	Cow/Calf	340	693	03/01-05/01
	Cow/Calf	340	1,040	07/01-10/01
Cattle	Cow Calf	340	1,341	11/01-02/28
	Total	340	3,074	03/01 – 02/28

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
Red Hill/ Murphy	340	03/01/2025-05/01/2025	45%
Jalisco/Apache	340	07/01/2025-10/01/2025	35%
Steer/Amole	340	11/01/2025-02/28/2026	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

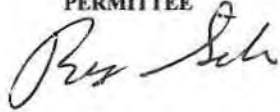
- Grazing fees must be paid prior to March 1, 2025.
- Sub-leasing is prohibited. Livestock placed on the allotment must be owned by the permittee and branded with the permittee's registered brand. A copy of the brand certificate must be on file at the District Office.
- The permittee will record actual use as it occurs including livestock numbers and dates permitted livestock are in a pasture. This information will be reported at the next annual operating instruction meeting.
- Any change or deviation from this Annual Operating Instructions is to be coordinated and confirmed in advance with the District. If emergency conditions require making a change immediately, the permittee will notify the District as soon as practical.
- Livestock remaining in pastures beyond the specified rotation date, that are allowed to drift between pastures, or grazing in rested pastures may be considered a violation of your Term Grazing Permit.
- Livestock should be moved when forage utilization objectives have been met or within 1 week of planned rotation dates, unless changes have been confirmed with District Range personnel.
- The District may spot check range improvements before the entry date to ensure improvements are in a satisfactory condition. Livestock will not be allowed to enter pastures if assigned improvements are not maintained to proper standards. Livestock

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

XIII. Non-Use

A non-use of 102 AUMs on this allotment for resource protection, however, could be used later determined by other allotment conditions.

PERMITTEE



DATE

1-27-2025



DISTRICT RANGER

2-11-2025

DATE