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J Bar B Cattle Co.  
Attn: John Fowler  
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Dear John:

On April 20, 2012 you met with John, Andy and I to discuss your Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Wildcat Allotment. The grazing season and numbers as discussed are as follows:

| <u>Pasture</u>  | <u>Numbers</u> | <u>Dates</u>               |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| Holding Pasture | 121 hd c/c     | June 1 to June 16          |
| Daze            | 121 hd         | June 17 to July 21         |
| Ellsworth       | 121 hd         | July 22 to September 22    |
| Hanks           | 121 hd         | September 23 to October 31 |

The Buckhorn pasture will be rested this year. The dates and numbers may need to be adjusted throughout the season based on future conditions. The desired utilization on key species in key areas is 25%. I appreciate the monitoring that you have done and look forward to receiving the 2012 data.

By this letter I also authorize you or persons employed by you to cut or remove any trees needed for fence posts and stays for maintenance of range improvements on the Wildcat Allotment. A copy of this letter must be in possession while engaged in any tree cutting.

This letter will serve as your 2012 AOI. If you have any questions please call Kendell, John or Andy at (928) 535-7300.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dee Hines  
DEE HINES  
District Ranger



