

Please provide updated actual use with
permit for E & W side.

2/17 0900 OURD
missing actual use
May 15 - Sept 30
E & W & also
ppt.

09/10

YAVAPAI ALLOTMENT
2010 ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS
Yavapai Ranch Ltd. Partnership - (b) (6)

PLANNING OBJECTIVES

- Identification of specific management tools/resource objectives and constraints for this grazing season.
- Review general permit administration and livestock management requirements.
- Document any needs or agreements beyond the standard directions.
- In 2009 we experienced the 3rd driest monsoon season on record and local climatologists state that our drought conditions are worse than 2002 levels. Drought conditions have resulted in less than desired production of forage – livestock feed. Hence, we encourage you to have a plan of action in case partial or full destocking of your allotment is required to protect your herd and the rangeland resources.

MANAGEMENT TOOLS

- Follow forage and browse use standards. Utilization needs to be at a level that allows for sufficient litter to protect soils and watershed conditions and provide an opportunity for perennial grasses and major browse species to maintain or improve their vigor. Cattle will be moved to the next scheduled pasture or off the allotment when allowable use standards are met, regardless of the planned move dates shown below. Proper livestock use (moderate use) provides for sufficient plant biomass and litter to protect soil and other resources, and allows sufficient standing biomass to provide thermal protection to forage plants. Although this allotment operates under an HRM grazing management operation, proper use on key forage and browse species will be monitored to determine timely pasture moves as an additional effort to reduce the effects of the continuing drought on plant vigor.
- 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 IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION OR BETTERMENT

- 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:

Have proposed fencing and pipeline routes. Need to plan some time to look at it and offer up input. Otherwise, no major maintenance is planned.

Roads need bladed, hasn't been done by AZG&F for couple years. Atkins Camp Road, Main road from HQ to New Water & also road up Turkey Canyon across to Pine Springs, & road out from Pine Springs to Williams Valley road. Road into Iron mine Tank to E. of County Road.

Check on permit w/ Rick (Engineering).

AUTHORIZATION

Upon payment of fees livestock are authorized as follows for 2010 - 2011:

Number of Cattle

Pasture

Grazing Period (may be modified
to meet utilization)

1092

See Grazing Charts
attached

3-1-10 to 2-28-11

- The Forest Officer must be given actual use, by pasture.
- 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 allowable use 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.

MANAGEMENT COMMENTS

Use of mountain during summer offers additional complexity.
~~and~~ Have well now, Really need to construct fencing to help
overall operation. Possibly look at long term using portion of
Mountain in summer and Rotating with whole operation.

PERMIT CONDITIONS

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.)

AGREED TO BY:

(b) (6)

Permittee

Date

APPROVED BY:

Linda E. Jackson
District Ranger

2-17-10

Date

Yavapai Ranch East Side and Mountain Projected Grazing 2009-2010

[illegible]

Precipitation (inches)

[illegible]

** Heifer ADAs divided by 2

[illegible]

February had 2 feet of snow