

**2025**  
**Annual Operating Instructions**  
**Yavapai Allotment**

This document serves as your Grazing Year, Annual Operating Instructions (AOI) for the Yavapai Allotment. This AOI is part of your Term Grazing Permit as provided for in Part 2, section 8(a).

**GRAZING SCHEDULE**

The Annual stocking level (annual authorized livestock numbers and dates) are considered approximate. The actual dates and numbers may change due to many variables. Annual stocking level is based on current and expected forage production. The planned use period in a pasture and livestock numbers can/should be adjusted if conditions change, either (shortened or lengthened, depending on forage availability but not in excess of the permitted numbers and utilization in key areas).

\*Any changes from these Annual Operating Instructions are to be coordinated and confirmed in advance and will be made only with prior written Forest Service Officer Approval. (An Amendment)

\*If emergency conditions require making an immediate change, notify the Forest Service Officer promptly.

**Authorization**

Upon payment of fees, the following is the planned grazing sequence:

<b>Number of Livestock</b>	<b>Pasture</b>	<b>Grazing Period</b>
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*Refer to attached 2025/26 projected grazing charts for the east and west side.*

Rested (Ungrazed) Pastures for the Grazing Season

*Refer to attached 2025/26 projected grazing charts for the east and west side.*

**RESOURCE MONITORING**

Spring CPRM is May 2, 2025.

Monitoring is set for October 2 & 3, 2025.

**Actual Use**

The permittee will document the following items during the grazing year: 1) Pasture; 2) Actual Grazing Period; 3) Actual Livestock Numbers.

**\*It is very important that this Actual Use form be completed and submitted to your Rangeland Management Specialist at the end of the grazing year.**

## **RESOURCE OBJECTIVES for THIS GRAZING SEASON**

Proper livestock management practices, e.g. distribution, timing of grazing, and intensity of grazing, must be managed closely to provide for plant maintenance, improved vigor, and maintenance/improvement of vegetative ground cover. When cattle are not in a pasture, ensure water is available for wildlife and escape ramps are in place on troughs.

## **SALTING AND PROTEIN BLOCK PRACTICES**

Proper salt and protein block location can be a good tool to aid in livestock distribution and they will be used in a manner to spread livestock utilization throughout the pasture. A detailed description of the Salting and Supplemental Feeding policy can be found in Part 3 of your term grazing permit; (See AMP and Term Grazing Permit for the complete list of the guidelines.) Place supplements to draw livestock to areas that normally receive only light use.

## **RANGE IMPROVEMENTS**

### **Maintenance**

Range improvements assigned to you are to be fully maintained annually to comply with permit requirements. Any maintenance you perform must conform to the standards specified by your District Rangeland Management Specialist. The grazing permittee is responsible for all maintenance materials, supplies and equipment necessary to properly maintain all range structural improvements. The Forest may replace range structural improvement materials and/or supplies at the end of the improvement's life if properly maintained; when maintenance and repair is no longer feasible to keep the improvement properly maintained and functioning.

### **Projects:**

*Clean Wolf and Tank 5 – repair dams-applied for Game & Fish funding-Completed by 6-2025 weather permitting*

*Remove or repair division fence between Cell 1&2, 3&4, 5&6, 7&8, and 12&13-NRCS contract-Completed by 12-2025*

*Division fence between cell 11 & 12-Completed but will report back to RMS*

*Repair Pine Springs development-Need hydrologist to assist in pipeline potentially-*

*Completed but still not flowing as expected-no more work from Yavapai, spent two weeks on improvement*

*Happy Camp Tank Dam Repair-Game & Fish funding-be completed by 6-2025 weather permitting*

### **2024**

*Division fence between Rock Hole & Malapai-NRCS funded-2025*

*Division fence between Haystack & Turkey-non-functional and on fence list*

*Extend pipeline to Rockhole-NRCS funded-awaiting archeology*

*Continue to brainstorm/identify fence where natural boundary is not controlling livestock*

*Bull pasture & North Mountain*

*Upper 29 & North Mountain*

2025

*Division fence between Powerline and Haystack-on fence list*

*North Boundary from Northwest corner to the east ~ 3 miles-completed 2024*

*Others as found*

*Reconstruct trick tanks in Middle Mountain-pipeline & Upper 29-Look into running pipeline to location.*

*Add storage and drinker at Hughes Stock Tank off of pipeline-requesting minimum 20k storage-USFS will supply a tire drinker if available*

*Lower Priority projects to be done when above have been completed if necessary*

*Divide North Mountain Pasture from North and South*

*Extend pipeline west into North Mountain pasture from south of Iron Mine*

*Drill well in Sect 33 Pine Spring pasture instead of further maintenance of pine spring*

### **DROUGHT MANAGEMENT**

To aide in determining the initial livestock numbers the Standard Precipitation Index (SPI) and the US Drought Monitor Report was discussed.

### **TRAVEL MANAGEMENT**

The Prescott National Forest designated a system of roads and trails that are open to motor vehicle use in 1989 through Forest Plan Amendment #4. Motor vehicle use off the designated road system by the permit holder to conduct activities associated with administration of the term grazing permit is allowed under the terms and conditions of the term grazing permit.

### **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).

ACCEPTED BY:



Permittee

2/13/25

Date

APPROVED BY:

  
John A. Kava, Deputy District Ranger

2/25/25

Date

### EAST SIDE PROPOSED GRAZING CHART 2024-2025

Planned Data						Date:	Yavapai Ranch East Side Stocking Chart										Actual Use Data	Date:
Pasture		Stocking				Forage	2024					2025						
Name	Acres	No.	Class	Days	ADAs	Use	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept
Calving Pasture	2000	655	C	37	12.1													
Upper 29	800	655	C	14	11.5													
North Mnt.	10,000	655	C	90	5.9													
Little Red Mnt	2,400	655	C	30	8.2													
Middle Mnt	4,500	695	C/B	30	4.6													
Deer Tanks	2,800	695	C/B	14	3.5													
Pine Springs	8200	695	C/B	14	1.2													
Red Mnt	4000	695	C/B	14	2.4													
Cell12/13	1900	695	C/B	7	2.6													
South Adkins	3300	695	C/B	30	6.3													
North Adkins	1600	695	C/B	14	6.1													
7 Well	2,560	695	C/B	14	3.8													
DoubleO1&2	1700	695	C/B	21	8.6													
House Trap	700	695	C/B	14	13.9													
Cell 3&4	1500	60	B	90	1.5													
Cell 5&6	1,200	60	B	90	6.0													
Cell 14	1,200				0.0													
Cell 9	1280				0.0													
Cell 10	800				0.0													
Big Dam	1,600				0.0													
Cell 11	1600				0.0													
Cell 14	1200				0.0													
Cell 1&2	1150				0.0													
Cell 7&8	1500				0.0													
Iron Mine	4050				0.0													
Bull Pasture	1120				0.0													
Lower 29	2500				0.0													
Cienega	300				0.0													

Legend		Precipitation (inches)																																																																																	
Dormant Season		Headquarters												Growing Season		Cienega												Planned Use		Lower Corrals												Actual use	x	Big Dam														7 - well														Atkins											
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**Notes: Stocking numbers, days, and ADAs are planned data. Explain deviations from planned by notes shown below:**

