

**Quemado Ranger District
2003 Annual Operating Instructions
(2/07/03)**

Allotment Name: Jewett Community

Permittee: Paulita T. and Andy A. Carrejo

Permit Number: 06-1114

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers:

27 cattle	C/C	Term	2/1 - 2/28	All. Use	40%
23 cattle	C/C	Pvt. Land	2/1 - 2/28	All. Use	40%
27 cattle	C/C	Term	3/1 - 3/15	All. Use	40%
23 cattle	C/C	Pvt. Land	3/1 - 3/15	All. Use	40%
50 cattle	C/C	Term	6/1 - 12/31	All. Use	40%

2003 Validation: Same as permitted.

Grazing System: Four pasture deferred rotation. The four pastures are:
1.) Private land/Forest (on/off)
2.) North Pasture
3.) Middle Pasture
4.) Sand Spring Pasture

Pasture Rotation 2003:

Private Land	1/01/03 - 1/31/03	All Cattle	
Private Land/Forest	2/01/03 - 2/28/03 (on/off)	27 head	All. Use 40%
Private Land	2/01/03 - 2/28/03	23 head	
Private Land/Forest	3/01/03 - 3/15/03 (on/off)	27 head	All. Use 40%
Private Land	3/01/03 - 3/15/03	23 head	
North Pasture	6/01/03 - 8/07/03	All Cattle	All. Use 40%
Sand Spring Pasture	8/08/03 - 10/14/03	All Cattle	All. Use 40%
Middle Pasture	10/15/03 - 12/31/03	All Cattle	All. Use 40%

Grazing Restrictions:

No current restrictions apply to this allotment.

Allowable Use:

The 1995 Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice identified 40% as the allowable utilization by grazing animals.

Satisfactory range/watershed condition/trend and assures recovery and continued existence of threatened, endangered and the proposed to be listed species of plants and animals.

Standard:

Forage utilization by grazing animals will be maintained at a level which will promote

Guideline:

Key forage utilization monitoring areas are identified as the current cluster/paced transects. Forage utilization guidelines for each key area is 40% on key species.

Utilization Monitoring of Key Areas:

Utilization monitoring will continue. Within two weeks before or after livestock leave a scheduled pasture, key areas will be visited by the Forest Service to determine actual grazing use by livestock/wildlife. These areas are the existing cluster/pace transect sites. Key area utilization checks may also be conducted mid way through a pasture use period to determine actual grazing use. I urge you to participate in these key area utilization surveys. Estimated forage use determinations will be consistent with the Region 3 Analysis Handbook. Monitoring methods to be utilized will be ocular estimates, grazed plant method, clip/weigh and/or Grazing Intensity Guidelines.

Utilization Monitoring Results:

The following key areas were read during the 2001 grazing season:

C-4	Sand Spring	16%	3/20/03
P-2	Sand Spring	21%	3/20/02
C-2	North	23%	7/29/02
C-6	North	16%	7/29/02
P-7	North	19%	7/29/02
P-8	North	4%	7/29/02
P-9	North	7%	7/29/02
P-10	North	10%	7/29/02

I appreciate your attention to the conservation of the grazing resource.

Forage Growth and Water Availability:

If forage growth and water availability are not adequate during all or a portion of the 2003 grazing season, total or partial livestock removal from the allotment may be necessary. Part 2, clause 8 (c) of the grazing permit provides for this option.

Range Developments:

All assigned range developments identified in the term grazing permit will be maintained to a functional status.

- 1.) Permittee would like to “Y” off present pipeline and install another water trough on an east facing slope in the middle pasture. This proposal will need to be reviewed “on the ground” with the permittee.
- 2.) Permittee needs approximately 500 feet of new hose for delivering water from Sand Spring to the water trough.

Actual Use:

Actual Use for the 2002 grazing season was 236 AM's. The ten year average is 338 A.M.'s.

Other Information:

If you have any questions or comments concerning these Annual Operating Instructions, please don't hesitate to call John Pierson at (505)-773-4678.

Sincerely,

/s/ Janice S. Stevenson
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District Ranger

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