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FORNEY C&H ALLOTMENT

ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This is the annual operating plan for the 2003 grazing season for the Forney C&H allotment and will be considered part of the terms and conditions of the grazing permit.

I. Permitted / Authorized Use

Emerson Latimer
Verl Jones

| Term Grazing Permit | | | | Authorized use | | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------|-------|----------------|---------|----------|-------|
| No. | On Date | Off Date | H.M.s | No. | On Date | Off Date | H.M.s |
| 132 C/C | 06/01 | 10/30 | 660 | 132C/C | 06/01 | 10/30 | 660 |
| 134 C/C | 06/01 | 10/30 | 670 | 134C/C | 06/01 | 10/30 | 670 |

II. Grazing Schedule and Monitoring Utilization Standards

| Actual Grazing Schedule | | | | Allowable Standards | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|---------|
| Unit No. | Unit Name | # Head/H.M's | Dates ** | Riparian | Uplands |
| 1 | Westside of Panther* | 266/271 | 06/01-07/01 | *6" | 4" |
| 2 | Eastside of Panther *** | 266/1059 | 07/02-10/30 | 4" | 4" |

* - **The Westside unit includes Main Panther Creek**, utilization in Panther Creek is 6". All other riparian areas are 4".

** - **These dates are tentative.** Range readiness will be monitored to determine if the on-date is appropriate. Utilization levels will determine the off date.

*** - Go into Moyer after coming from the Westside Unit. Cows cannot be in Moyer Creek after September 15 due to bull trout spawning. The utilization in Moyer Creek is 6".

NOTE - Do not wait for the forest officer to tell you it is time to move! It is the permittee's responsibility to insure cattle are moved before utilization levels are exceeded.

III. PERMITTEE MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The permittees shall make every effort to remove all cattle from a grazing unit when the grazing period has ended in that unit. ***Cattle cannot be in Moyer Creek after 9/15 due to consultation with Fish and Wildlife Service for bull trout. If strays are found in Moyer Cr. after this date remove them immediately.***

The dates of use and sequence of use may be changed due to forage and/or weather conditions. If for these reasons, or others, you wish to make changes in the dates of use or grazing sequence as described in this plans of use, *please discuss it with us before you do so.* If you are planning to put less than 90 percent of the permitted cattle on the allotment, you will need to apply for nonuse.

Water troughs are to be filled before cattle enter any of the grazing units. When cattle leave a grazing unit, the troughs in that unit are to be drained.

Proper distribution of livestock is very important to proper forage utilization. Proper distribution can be attained through placement of water developments, salting, and riding. Salt should be place away from all heavily used trails, all roads, all water, and all natural concentration areas. Some riding usually needs to be done to heard cattle into unused areas or to prevent them from over-utilizing stream bottoms or other riparian areas.

To meet the State of Idaho's provision for trichomoniasis testing, all bulls must be tested at least 45 days prior to the turnout date.

Please mail your actual use booklet in at the end of the grazing season.

Any hay or straw used in association with this permit, will be certified and/or tagged as noxious weed, or noxious weed seed free as directed by the order (#04-00-097, 2/03, according to 36CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), and 36 CFR 261.58 (t)) and state law (Idaho Code sec 22 according to IDAPA 02.06.31.001, 7/99).

IV. IMPROVEMENT MAINTENANCE/NEW CONSTRUCTION

Improvements on the Forney C&H Allotments will be maintained to Forest Service standards prior to livestock entry onto the allotment or into the first unit.

Each individual permittee is responsible for maintenance of certain Forest Service range improvements on the allotment, as listed in their grazing permits.

| No. | Name | Target Date | Condition |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1003 | 1/Westfork Sawmill Trough | 07/01 | Poor |
| 1004 | 1/Moyer Slope Trough | | Poor |
| 1008 | 1/Sawmill Trough | 07/01 | Poor |
| 1010 | North Sawmill Trough | 07/01 | Satisfactory |
| 1011 | 1/Moyer Basin Trough | 07/01 | Satisfactory |
| 1012 | 2/Phorphyry Basin Trough | 05/31 | Satisfactory |
| 1013 | 2/Trealor Trough | 07/01 | Poor |
| 1014 | 2/Fourth of July Ridge Trough | 05/31 | Satisfactory |
| 1029 | 1/Upper McGowan Trough | 07/01 | Poor |
| 1045 | Cabin Creek Trough | 05/31 | Poor |
| 1050 | Cabin Creek Fence | 05/31 | Satisfactory |

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|------|-------------------------------|-------|--------------|
| 1051 | South Sawmill Trough | 07/01 | Poor |
| 1064 | Moyer Creek Fence | 07/01 | Satisfactory |
| 1067 | Panther Creek Fence | 05/31 | Satisfactory |
| 1068 | Corral Creek Fence | 05/31 | Satisfactory |
| 1202 | 3/Forney Ridge Division Fence | 07/01 | Satisfactory |
| 1203 | Moyer Ridge Division Fence | 07/01 | Satisfactory |
| 1205 | Holding Pasture Fence | 05/31 | Good |
| 5404 | Lower McGowan Spring | 07/01 | Poor |

1/ Maintenance Responsibility of Emerson Latimer

2/ Maintenance Responsibility of Verl Jones

3/ Easthalf

Forest Service will maintain the exclosures and cattleguards

NO NEW CONSTRUCTION FOR THIS YEAR.

V. BILLING INFORMATION

Grazing fees are to be paid to Lockbox, San Francisco, CA, by the date specified on the Bill for Collection and in advance of cattle entry onto the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

Grazing fees for the 2003 grazing season are \$1.35 per Head Month.

In 2003 the Forest Service will be billing \$.10 per Head Month for the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission (IRRC). This will be done separately from your grazing fees for the Forest Service.

VI. ACTION SUMMARY

| Anticipated problem | Probable solution |
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| Difficulty crossing Panther Creek in high water. | Install a stock trail bridge across Panther Creek. |
| Cattle use in Holding Pasture | Make sure fences around Holding Pasture can keep cattle out. |

I have reviewed and accepted this Annual Operating Plan for the 2003 grazing season. Any changes to this Annual Operating Plan must be approved by the District Ranger.

Permittee _____

Date _____

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Date _____

Forest Officer _____

Date _____

