

# 2024 ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Glenwood Ranger District  
Gila National Forest

## ROBERTS PARK ALLOTMENT #418

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Annual Operating Instructions

### I. INTRODUCTION

Kendall Brown & Kaitlin Burrows (Forest Service) met with the (Permittee) on February 5, 2024, to discuss management of the Roberts Park Allotment during the current grazing year and to plan grazing management for the upcoming grazing season. These Annual Operating Instructions are the result of that discussion. **Term Permitted**

#### **Livestock Numbers:**

Permittee	Number & Class of livestock	Dates
Alamosa Ranch LLC	396 Cow/Calf	03/01 – 02/28
Alamosa Ranch LLC	8 Horses	03/01 – 02/28

#### **Authorized Use:**

Number & Class of livestock	Dates
230 Cow/Calf	03/01 – 05/15
300 Cow/Calf	05/15 – 02/28
8 Horses	03/01 – 02/28

#### **Pasture Rotations:**

Class of Livestock	Rotation Date	Pasture
Cow/Calf	03/01 – 05/15	Fox (150)
Cow/Calf	05/15 – 10/15	Cabin (175)
Cow/Calf	10/15 – 02/28	Beaver (175)
Cow/Calf	03/01 – 05/15	Frisco (80)
Cow/Calf	05/15 – 10/15	Roberts Park (105)
Cow/Calf	10/15 – 02/28	Frisco (105)
Cow/Calf	03/01 – 06/01	River/Hicks (20)
Cow/Calf	06/01 – 10/01	Beaver (20)
Cow/Calf	10/01 – 02/28	Horse/Vigil (20)
Horse	03/01 – 02/28	With cattle herd

**\*\* No livestock use is authorized in Vigil Spring riparian enclosure or in the San Francisco River.**

**NOTE:** The above schedule for stocking the allotment depends upon the availability of forage and water. Some flexibility in the above pasture rotation dates will be allowed for justifiable causes such as weather conditions, livestock management needs, and range conditions. If there is a need to deviate from the above pasture rotation schedule by more than 15 days, you must notify the Range Staff at the Glenwood Ranger District of the proposed change in the pasture rotation date and the reason for the change. A deviation from the above schedule of more than 15 days must be approved verbally or in writing. Credit/Refund applications will not be processed unless District personnel have been notified either in advance or at the time of removal of stock.

## **II. MANAGEMENT OF LIVESTOCK**

The permittee is responsible for monitoring water availability and forage utilization and moving livestock when sufficient water is no longer available or when proper forage utilization is achieved in a pasture. The permittee is responsible for keeping track of and maintaining control of livestock. In the event livestock are found to be out of the scheduled pasture, it is required to find, gather, and return those animals to the proper pasture as soon as possible.

## **III. IMPROVEMENT MAINTENANCE**

All range improvements assigned in the 10-year Term Grazing Permit are to be maintained in a functioning condition. In the event these improvements cannot be maintained in a functioning condition, you should notify the Range Staff at the Glenwood Ranger District to schedule them for reconstruction as funds become available. Failure to maintain your assigned range developments to functional condition is considered non-compliance with the terms and conditions of the Term Grazing Permit.

- Cleaning dirt tanks, clearances have been obtained.
- Repairing fence between Frisco and Roberts Park pastures
- Repairing fence between Beaver and Fox pastures
- Fix breaks in Charlie Moore, Balke, and Phase 2/3 pipeline prior to using.
- Interested in any type of tree clearing that can be done on the allotment.

## **IV. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT CONCERNS**

The enclosure at Vigil Springs is functioning properly. The water lane will remain for your livestock to access water. Keep track of conditions on your allotment and make plans to reduce or remove livestock if vegetative/watershed conditions could be substantially harmed due to continued grazing.

## **V. MODIFICATIONS**

If unforeseen operational conditions require a change in the management specified in this AOI please contact rangeland management personnel at the Glenwood Ranger District. Change requests should be made in advance so that field inspections (if necessary) can be conducted. Approval of changes to this AOI may be verbal or written, depending on the nature of the change requested. Verbal changes will be documented to your file for record keeping purposes. Failure to follow the direction provided in this AOI, or other instructions (verbal or written) of a Forest Officer may lead to adverse action against your Term Grazing Permit (Part 1, Section 3 of your Term Grazing Permit).

Open and positive communications concerning all AOI content is encouraged. Feel free to contact Kendall Brown if you have any questions or concerns.