



File Code: 2230
Date: June 1, 2017

Mary Lou Driver



Dear Mary Lou,

The pasture turnout and rotation schedule for your authorized livestock during the 2017 grazing season is as follows:

CUSICK-GARDINER ALLOTMENT			
Pasture Name	Number & Kind of Livestock	Season of Use	# of Days
Cusick-Gardiner	29 Cow/Calf	6/1 – 9/30	121

RUBY CREEK ALLOTMENT			
Pasture Name	Number & Kind of Livestock	Season of Use	# of Days
Spur	50 Cow/Calf	6/1 – 6/14	14
Spur	100 Cow/Calf	6/15 – 7/31	46
Rufus	100 Cow/Calf	8/1 – 8/31	30
Reynolds	100 Cow/Calf	9/1 – 9/30	30
Reynolds	50 Cow/Calf	10/1 – 10/15	15

At the permittee's request, turn-on for the Ruby Creek Allotment will occur in 2 phases. Having a phased turn-on for the allotment allows for a phased turn-off of the allotment. This phased turn-off will allow the permittee to gather some of the cattle by the typical off-date of 9/30 and provide for locating and removing the remaining cattle. By requesting this in advance the Agency is able to note it in this letter and have it approved.

LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION

Brand	Location of Brand	Ear Tag Color and Side
HD	Left Rib	Yellow, either ear

Compliance with range readiness criteria, pasture use guidelines and utilization levels shall be met. The schedule above is subject to change based on range conditions present. Prior Forest Service approval must be given before any changes and/or modifications are made to this schedule.



Wildlife Conflict

The State of Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has assigned a conflict management specialist to aid ranchers, farmers, and private citizens in the area with any concerns they might have regarding wolves or other wildlife. Please contact Candace Bennett at her office at 509-684-2362 x 25 or her cell at 509-844-2404 for any questions, concerns, or information about wildlife conflicts either on National Forest System lands or your private property.

Travel Management

The Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Title 36, Chapter II, Parts 212 and 261 – Travel Management, prohibited motor vehicle use outside designated areas and off of designated roads and trails. You, as a grazing permittee, are exempt from the general Travel Management Rule for activities associated with the administration of your term grazing permit. You as a grazing permittee, and agents acting on your behalf, are hereby authorized to use motorized vehicles on routes which are needed to perform allotment and livestock management within and adjacent to your permitted allotments. Such activities include range improvement maintenance, placing salt, checking and moving livestock, etc. Motorized vehicles are not authorized in areas designated as Semi-Primitive, Non-Motorized (MA-11) in the 1988 Colville National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. Should resource damage occur as a result of your motorized access, this authorization will be modified to reduce impacts. I have enclosed some cards that explain this administrative use exemption of the Travel Management Rule. These cards must be kept in vehicles or on OHV's at all times to be presented to a Forest officer when needed to demonstrate your authorization to perform permit administration activities.

Air Force Operations

There will not be any Air Force operations on your allotments during the grazing season. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Chase Bolyard at (509)447-7327 or Air Force Liason Rick Hall at (509)447-7303.

Other Discussion Topics**Notes for 2017 Grazing Season**

- Set up a date to go locate/inspect the fences on Ruby Creek
- Inspect private lands adjacent to the Reynolds pasture for trespass (Chase and the Forest LEO will address this)
- Reconstruct the corrals at the bottom of the sand hill
- Reconstruct the water development in the Spur pasture
- Look into road access to Squirrel Meadows from the gravel pit on Highway 20

In compliance with the Colville National Forest's monitoring requirements, permit compliance and utilization monitoring will occur on 10% of pastures each year. If you collect monitoring information for your allotment and would like to submit it to the Forest Service, please inform Forest Service range staff. Utilization studies for your pastures of use will be conducted periodically and usually within one week after livestock are removed. If you desire to accompany Forest Service personnel on forage utilization studies, notify Chase Bolyard at (509) 447-7327 prior to livestock removal.