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LD Green and/or Gwen Green

Dear Mr. Green and Mrs. Green

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

LAKE ELLEN ALLOTMENT			
Pasture Name	Number & Kind of Livestock	Season of Use	# of Days
Homestead	338 Cow/Calf	Turnout	4
Ledgerwood	169 Cow/Calf	June 1 – July 31	61
Cedar	169 Cow/Calf	August 1 – September 15	46
Dollar	169 Cow/Calf	June – July 31	61
White Mountain	169 Cow/Calf	August 1 – September 15	46
Homestead	338 Cow/Calf	End of Season/Gather	4

#### Livestock Identification

Brand	<b>Location of Brand</b>	Ear Tag Color and Side	
J\7	Right Hip	Yellow	
3 \ 7	Right Rib	Both Sides	
С	Right Hip	Yellow	
<u>C</u>	Right Rib	Both Sides	
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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.

Livestock are expected to be moved into the next pasture in the rotation, not allowed to drift on their own. Nearly all livestock are to be removed from pastures by the end of the season of use for that pasture. Failure to remove all livestock from pastures has the potential to impact resource conditions. Therefore, gathering and moving livestock to the next pasture in the rotation will be a priority until all livestock have been accounted for.

#### **Identification**

Cattle over 6 months of age at the time they enter Forest Service grazing allotments shall have individual ear tags, which have been furnished by the permittee.





#### <u>Maintenance</u>

Maintenance of all assigned range improvements must occur annually and maintenance check sheets are to be returned before livestock use is scheduled to occur for each pasture. If extensive repair or reconstruction of a range improvement is required, the Forest Service can supply needed materials and/or assist permittees with reconstruction efforts.

#### **Livestock Management**

Livestock use will occur in accordance with your Forest Service Grazing Permit and specific guidance provided in Environmental Assessments for your allotments.

#### Salting

Salt should not be placed within ¼ mile of any water on the allotment. Should no suitable locations exist to place salt further than ¼ mile from water, salting locations would be reviewed and approved, on a case by case basis, by the Forest Service. Salting is discouraged on open roads and trails, or at trailheads and developed recreational sites.

#### Noxious Weeds

Prevention Standard 4 of the *Preventing and Managing Invasive Plants* EIS and Record of Decision state that only pelletized or certified weed free feed is allowed on all National Forest System Lands. Therefore, all feed products used in the administration of your grazing permit must be Certified Noxious Weed Free.

In compliance with the Colville National Forest's Environmental Management System (EMS), noxious weed monitoring and education is to occur. If you desire noxious weed identification materials or have questions/concerns related to noxious weeds on grazing allotments please inform Brandon Weinmann at (509) 738-7714.

#### 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 x25 or her cell at 509-844-2404 for any questions, concerns, or information about wildlife conflicts either on National Forest System lands or our private property.

#### Travel Management

The Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Title 36, Chapter II, Parts 212 and 261 – Travel Management, prohibits motor vehicle use outside designated areas and off of designated roads and trails. You, as a grazing permittee, are exempted from the general Travel Management Rule for activities associated with the administration of your term grazing permit. You are hereby authorized to use motorized vehicles to administer your grazing permit and manage your livestock. 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.

**Actual Use Reporting** 

The Colville National Forest is requiring each livestock permittee to collect actual use information throughout the grazing season on allotments where they graze. This information should be recorded on the enclosed form titled *Actual Use Record*. You are required to submit the completed form to the Three Rivers Ranger District, c/o Brandon Weinmann, 255 West 11<sup>th</sup> St., Kettle Falls, WA 99141 within one month after your grazing season has ended.

#### **Other Activities**

- Contact Information for Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer: Kirsten Meyers (Office 509-738-7759 and Cell 509-680-8863).
- Contact Information for Northeast Washington Wolf/Cattle Collaborative: Jay Shepherd (Cell 208-420-7832 and Arron Scotten (Home 509-738-2999 and Cell 509-690-0493)

#### **Other Discussion Topics**

- Four Travel Management use cards for administrative use.
- Homestead Meadow needs to be treated for noxious weeds.
- Road systems 115 & 120 are getting invaded by knapweed and need to be treated.
- CE for new water development construction in Cedar Pasture from natural spring source.
- Contact and coordinate with the Colville Indian Reservation regarding the reconstruction of the shared allotment boundary fence.
- Viewpoint Water Development needs to be reconstructed.
- Check on closed roads 2014085 and 2014075 because berms are hindering livestock distribution in Ledgerwood pasture. Need to create trailing access for distribution to uplands.

If you collect monitoring information for your allotment and would like to submit it to the Forest Service, please inform Forest Service range staff. Any monitoring information collected by permittees can be submitted to the Forest Service. 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 Brandon Weinmann at (509) 738-7714 prior to livestock removal.

Sincerely,

JOSHUA P. WHITE

District Ranger

cc: Travis Fletcher



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### Range Improvement Maintenance (Lake Ellen Allotment) WHITE MOUNTAIN PASTURE

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION		
Lake Ellen/Reservation	T35N R35E SWSW S.33	Fig. 1	
Fence	T35N R34E SESE S.36		
2.25 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
Dollar/White Fence	T35N R35E S.28	Fig. 6.	
0.5 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
Tankers Chance Water	T35N R35E SWNE S.32	#8	
Development (pond)	133N K33E 8 WINE 8.32	#0	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
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Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	T 100 1
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Snowcamp Water	T35N R35E NESW S.30	#13	g.
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Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
S.W. White Water	T35N R35E NWNW S.29	#26	
Development			
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
White Mtn. Water	T35N R35E SWSE S.36	#14	
Development			
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial



# Range Improvement Maintenance (Lake Ellen Allotment) **DOLLAR PASTURE**

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION		
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Diane Water Development	T35N R35E SENW S.28	#11	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Lake Ellen/Graves Mtn.	T35N R35E SE S.16	Fig. 23	
Fence			
0.25 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
Cedar/Dollar Fence	T35N R36E S.23,24,26	Fig. 4	
1.0 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
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Dollar Mountain Fence	T35N R35E SW S.35,	Fig. 2	
	SE S.36		
0.75 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial

## Range Improvement Maintenance (Lake Ellen Allotment) CEDAR PASTURE

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION		
Cedar Ridge Fence	T35N R35E S.14	Fig. 5	
0.5 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
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Fallen Horse Water	T35N R35E NWNW S.13	#9	
Development (pond)			
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
S. Cedar Ridge Water	T35N R35E SENW S.23	#10	
Development Development			
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Neuske	T35N R36E NENE S.17	#19	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Mule Camp	T35N R36E SWNE S.19	#20	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Cottonwood Water	T35N R36E NENW S.20	#21	· ·
Development	1551(155)21(111)		
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
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Lake Ellen Corral	T35N R35E NESW S.24	Fig. 22	T 1 1
1/4 Mile	Repaired	Date	Initial

### Range Improvement Maintenance (Lake Ellen Allotment) LEDGERWOOD PASTURE

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION		
Cottonwood Fence	T35N R36E S.20,21,30	Fig. 3	
2.0 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
Lake Ellen Reservation Fence	T35N R36E S.32,33,34 T35N R35E S.33,34	Fig. 7	
2.5 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial
LaFleur Water Development	T35N R36E SWSW S.11	#15	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Ellen Water Development Trough Level	T35N R36E SWSE S.22 Overflow	#16 Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Viewpoint Water Development	T35N R36E SENW S.22	#17	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Young Grizzly Water Development	T35N R36E NWNE S.22	#18	
Trough Level	Overflow	Spring Can	
Inflow	Fence	Date	Initial
Lake Ellen Road Fence	T35N R36E NW S.34, SW S.27	Fig. 25	
0.75 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial

### Range Improvement Maintenance (Lake Ellen Allotment) **HOMESTEAD PASTURE**

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION		
Homostood Force	T35N R36E SESE S.33	Fig. 24	
Homestead Fence		<u> </u>	- 1
0.25 Miles	Repaired	Date	Initial