

GILMORE C&H ALLOTMENT
ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

These are the annual operating instructions for the 2008 grazing season for the Gilmore C&H allotment and will be considered part of the terms and conditions of the grazing permit.

I. Permitted / Authorized Use

James Whittaker

Term Grazing Permit				Authorized use			
Cattle #	On Date	Off Date	H.M.s	No.	On Date	Off Date	H.M.s
22	7/1	10/31	NTE 88	22	7/1	10/31	NTE 88
11	8/1	10/31	NTE 33	11	8/1	10/31	NTE 33

The Gilmore C&H Allotment is not divided into units. The USFS portion of this allotment is grazed in common with the BLM's Spring Canyon Allotment and comprises about 4 percent of the total grazing area. The allotment is grazed as one unit, season long for the above listed numbers and dates. Use on the USFS land should not exceed 121 head months.

II. Grazing Schedule and Monitoring Utilization Standards

Actual Grazing Schedule			Allowable Standards **	
	# head	Dates *	Riparian	Uplands
	22	7/1-10/31	50%	50%
	11	8/1-10/31	NA	50%

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

- **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

If you are planning to put less than 90% of the permitted cattle on the allotment, you will need to apply for non-use.

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.

Use of motorized vehicles will be allowed prior to July 16, to distribute salt or do maintenance in closed areas, if a valid permit is in possession.

WHERE A STATE CLOSURE ORDER EXISTS - 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 (#04-00-057, 4/96, according to 36CFR 261.58 (t)) and state law (Idaho Code sec 22 according to IDAPA 02.06.31.001, 7/99).

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.

Cattle that die from a contagious disease, or that die at a location where they may contaminate water or become a public nuisance, must be properly disposed of.

At the end of the grazing season, please mail in the actual use booklet that you have received.

IV. IMPROVEMENT MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION

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

If verification of maintenance is not received from the permittee, an inspection will be made. If we find that maintenance has not been completed and livestock are grazing an area unscheduled for use at the time, they will be considered unauthorized. The responsible permittee may be billed for excess use and or permit action will be taken.

No new construction is planned for this allotment 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 2008 grazing season are \$1.35 per Head Month. 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

Watch for weeds, knapweed or leafy spurge, along the highway right-of-way. Please let us know if you see any new infestations or any new species we may not know about, especially along the snow plowing areas adjacent to Highway 28.

I have reviewed and accepted these Annual Operating Instructions for the 2007 grazing season. Any changes to these Instructions must be approved by the District Ranger.

Permittee <u>/s/</u> <i>James Whittaker</i>	Date <u>5/7/2008</u>
Forest Officer <u>/s/</u> <i>KIMBERLY D. NELSON</i>	Date <u>6/12/2008</u>