



# News from the Forest Service

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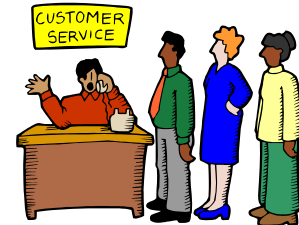
## Summer Livestock Schedule



It is once again time for the cattle to return to the subdivisions for the Summer 2005 season. This years they are scheduled only for "Yellowjacket Pasture", which is Clear Creek Pines Units 3 & 7. They will be in the pasture from June 1st to November 20th. The majority of them should be out by mid October, with only just a few left. All of the other subdivisions in the Blue Ridge area should remain cattle free this year. If there are any changes to this schedule, please stay tuned to the High Country Informant.

## Volunteers Needed

The Happy Jack Information Center and the Blue Ridge Ranger Station are very much in need of volunteers to work in the office through the summer. Duties will include mostly working with the public answering questions, giving directions, answering telephones and assisting forest service personnel with various other duties. If you are interested please call the Blue Ridge Ranger Station and ask for Rose.

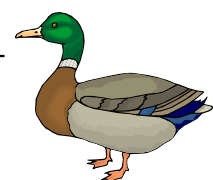


## Bar T Bar and Anderson Springs Management Plan

The final Environmental Impact Statement for Bar T Bar and Anderson Springs Allotment Management Plan has been completed and is available to look at. The final environmental impact statement (FEIS) describes the effects of implementing seven alternatives for livestock management on the Bar T Bar and Anderson Springs Allotments. The FEIS proposes numerous activities that address livestock management, living on wetlands, habitat conditions in pinyon-juniper and ponderosa pine vegetation types in areas that have been historical grasslands. The **Preferred Alternative (Alternative 6)** would issue a 10-year grazing permit for each of the two allotments; construct seasonal and semi permanent wetlands with provision for livestock grazing via lanes within wetlands between May 1 and July 15; develop new replacement waters outside newly constructed wetland exclosures; construct new upland stock tanks; construct new barbwire fences; remove some barbwire fence to facilitate pronghorn movement; install cattle guards and many other projects. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the FEIS please stop by Blue Ridge Ranger Station or Happy Jack Information Center. It will also be available by CD or on our website: [www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino)



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## Little Bly Pit is There for Your Convenience!

We are very happy to be able to offer a pit where homeowners and lot owners can dispose of their yard debris. In order to do this and keep things running properly we also need to maintain it. Little Bly is in the busy season now and is receiving many, many loads per day. Occasionally the forest service needs to go in and burn this trash to make room for more. Last week we had to close the pit for 2 days so we could burn before the Memorial Day weekend. Quite a bit of smoke was present, and when the winds picked up we had a few days of large black smoke. We would like to ask all of you that utilize Little Bly pit to NOT dump your debris in any hot spots.