



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Eagle Lake Resource Area
705 Hall Street
Susanville, California 96130-3730



IN REPLY REFER TO:

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APR 28 1993

Dear Affected Interest:

Following up on our letter of April 9, 1993, enclosed you will find the grazing schedule for the Twin Peaks Allotment. We have been evaluating the conditions on the allotment since the first of April, and have determined that cattle will be able to turn out. Sheep have been in Twin Peaks since the first of April on their trail to the Modoc Forest for the summer.

As we indicated in our letter, the provisions included in the Policy for Authorizing Livestock Use for 1993 has been a guide for determining when and how turnouts would occur. The schedule included for the Twin Peaks Allotment is consistent with the policy, as well as the grazing decision issued in 1992 and the Grazing Permit issued in 1990.

We will continue to monitor use on the allotment throughout the time that livestock are there. We will be checking utilization in the critical management areas outlined in the 1992 grazing decision and have received a plan from the permittee for how livestock will be moved when utilization levels are approaching maximums.

If there are any questions regarding the schedule for this year, please call Steve Surian, Ken Visser or me at (916) 257-0456.

Sincerely,

Linda D. Hansen
Acting Area Manager

2 Enclosures

- (1) Espil Grazing Application
- (2) Laver Grazing Application

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

STATE CA
OFFICE 026
OPERATOR NUMBER 042017
PREFERENCE CODE 03
DATE ~~4/23/93~~ 04/23/93

GRAZING APPLICATION

April 23

RETURN BY: ~~4/23/93~~, 1993

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THIS APPLICATION DESCRIBES YOUR BASIC GRAZING SCHEDULE(S) AND SUMMARIZES YOUR
RECOGNIZED GRAZING PREFERENCE FROM YOUR PERMIT. IF YOU WISH TO CHANGE THE
GRAZING SCHEDULE(S) MAKE THE CHANGE ON THE FORM. ALL APPLICATIONS, CHANGED OR
UNCHANGED, MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED BY THE DATE SHOWN ABOVE. CHANGES
REQUIRING THE REISSUE OF A GRAZING BILL WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SERVICE CHARGE OF
\$10.00 PER BILL.

ALLOT ----- PASTURE -----	LIVESTOCK		GRAZING PERIOD		TYPE %PL USE	ACU" S -----
	NUMBER	KIND	BEGIN	END		
SCHEDULE NUMBER: 1						
00701 TWIN PEAKS NORTH	110	CATTLE	04/07	04/25	100 ACTIVE	69
NORTH	380	CATTLE	04/26	04/30	100 ACTIVE	62
NORTH	450	CATTLE	05/01	05/15	100 ACTIVE	222
NORTH	650	CATTLE	05/16	10/31	100 ACTIVE	3612
NORTH	550	CATTLE	11/01	12/31	100 ACTIVE	1100
SOUTH	220	CATTLE	06/01	12/31	100 ACTIVE	1548
	341	CATTLE	03/01	12/31	100 NONUSE	3431

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 2

00701 TWIN PEAKS	4000	SHEEP	04/01	05/31	100 ACTIVE	1604
	2000	SHEEP	06/01	06/30	100 ACTIVE	395

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	2000 SHEEP	09/16	09/30	100 ACTIVE	197
	4000 SHEEP	10/01	10/25	100 ACTIVE	638
00702 WINTER RANGE	2000 SHEEP	03/17	03/31	100 ACTIVE	197
00703 OBSERVATION	2000 SHEEP	06/01	07/11	50 ACTIVE	270
	4000 SHEEP	09/01	09/15	100 ACTIVE	395
	2000 SHEEP	09/16	09/30	100 ACTIVE	197
00711 SHINN PEAK IND	2000 SHEEP	06/01	07/11	50 ACTIVE	270

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 1

CATTLE USE ON TWIN PEAKS ALLOTMENT SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TWIN PEAKS ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN DATED 04/85, AND AS MODIFIED BY DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION DATED 03/06/92.

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 2

GRAZING USE SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE TWIN PEAKS AND OBSERVATION ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT PLANS EXCEPT AS MODIFIED TO TWIN PEAKS ALLOTMENT BY THE DISTRICT MANAGERS DECISION DATED 03/06/92.

IN THE OBSERVATION ALLOTMENT THE FOLLOWING ENCLOSURES: PILGRIM LAKE, ROUND CORRAL, RODEO FLAT, AND PINE DUNE ARE CLOSED TO LIVESTOCK GRAZING, UNLESS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY THE AREA MANAGER.

IN THE OBSERVATION ALLOTMENT - MIDDLE PASTURE BITTERBUSH SEEDING WILL BE RESTED FROM SHEEP USE.

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 3

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 4

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 5

OFFICE STIPULATIONS

SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING IS LIMITED TO SALT, MINERAL AND/OR PROTEIN SUPPLEMENTS IN BLOCK, LIQUID OR GRANULAR FORM. SUCH SUPPLEMENTS SHALL BE PLACED NO CLOSER THAN 1/4 MILE FROM ANY WATER SOURCES.

ALL RANGE IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 4 RANGE IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN USABLE CONDITION FOR THE PURPOSE INTENDED, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SAID PERMIT OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.

GRAZING USE OFFERED OR AUTHORIZED HEREBY IS SUBJECT TO ALL PROVISIONS

OF THE GRAZING REGULATIONS - 43 CFR PARTS 4100. LIVESTOCK USE MAY BE TEMPORARILY DELAYED, DISCONTINUED OR MODIFIED TO ALLOW FOR THE RESTORATION OF VIGOR OF PLANTS, OR TO PREVENT COMPACTION OF WET SOILS (43 CFR 4130.6-2(F)).

FOR GRAZING APPLICATIONS OR GRAZING PERMITS OR LEASES, SEE ADDITIONAL TERMS ON REVERSE.

ALLOTMENT SUMMARY (AUM'S)

ALLOT		PREFERENCE	ACTIVE
00701	TWIN PEAKS		12760
00702	WINTER RANGE		200
00703	OBSERVATION		958
00711	SHINN PEAK IND		272

STOCK IDENTIFICATION (BRANDS, EARTAGS, ETC.): 3/ left hip, yellow or Red car tags.

REASON FOR NONUSE: Annual Fluctuations of livestock operation.

SIGNATURE OF PERMITTEE: [Signature] DATE: 4/23/93
AREA MANAGER APPROVAL: [Signature] DATE: 4/23/93

TITLE 18, U.S.C., SECTION 1001, MAKES IT A CRIME FOR ANY PERSON KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY TO MAKE TO ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES ANY FALSE, FICTITIOUS, OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS AS TO ANY MATTER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION.

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SCHEDULE NUMBER: 1

0701 TWIN PEAKS SOUTH	102 102	CATTLE	10/31 6/20	10/31	ACTIVE	100	449
0701 SOUTH	6	CATTLE	6/20	10/31	EXCHG-OF-USE	100	26
					NONUSE		221

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 2

0422 HUMPHREY 3-C	125	CATTLE	4/8	05/15	ACTIVE	100	156
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4/10 104/16 RE - SOIL EXAMINATIONS 4/2/93

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 1

GRAZING USE SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1985 TWIN PEAKS ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND AS MODIFIED BY THE DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION DATED MARCH 6, 1992.

SCHEDULE NUMBER: 2

TURN OUT DATES ON THE HUMPHREY 3-C ALLOTMENT WILL BE DETERMINED BY AN INSPECTION BY BLM AND PERMITTEE TO DETERMINE SOIL MOISTURE. ALL OPERATORS WILL HAVE THE SAME ON AND OFF DATES.

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ALLOTMENT SUMMARY (AUM'S)

ALLOT	PREFERENCE	ACTIVE
00422 HUMPHREY 3-C	156	
00701 TWIN PEAKS	670	

STOCK IDENTIFICATION (BRANDS, EARTAGS, ETC.): ORH IN RH IN LH

REASON FOR NONUSE: Additional Use in another Pasture until 6/1

SIGNATURE OF PERMITTEE: Ron J Laver DATE: 3/26/93

AREA MANAGER APPROVAL: _____ DATE: _____

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Dear Affected Interest:

As promised at the coordination meeting held March 9, 1993, for the Twin Peaks Allotment, the following information is offered in response to comments presented at the meeting. The comments were recorded on a flip chart during the meeting and are noted by underlining below.

Also included is an update on what is being done this grazing season (1993) to meet our commitments under the Grazing Decision issued in March of last year and a fact sheet that includes a chronology of actions over the past few years.

During our meeting of March 9, a proposal for change in the grazing system was reviewed with the group. This was done in accordance with the regulations at 43 CFR 4110.3-3, 4120.2, 4130.1-1 and 4130.6. As was discussed at that time, no final determination had been made to either approve or disapprove the application. Based on our discussions, it was strongly suggested that we adhere to the Grazing Decision issued March 6, 1992.

We have considered the input and have decided that the Grazing Permit as modified by the Grazing Decision signed and implemented in March 1992 will be followed for the 1993 grazing season. Therefore, a formal denial of the application for change will be issued to the permittee. The terms and conditions included in the Grazing Decision will also be enforced for 1993. This includes provisions for protecting specific, sensitive wildlife habitat areas from the impacts of livestock grazing.

We will be determining when resource conditions are appropriate for livestock turnout, monitoring utilization and compliance with the agreement's terms and conditions, and making adjustments as necessary. We are also identifying specific areas where we believe resource conditions cannot support livestock use this grazing season. As these areas are identified, we will notify the permittees and take appropriate actions as needed to ensure that livestock use is deferred from these areas.

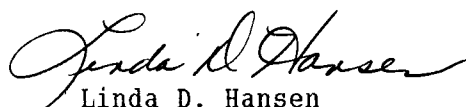
We believe that the above mentioned actions will address the strong concern expressed for the condition of vegetation, the need for data to support turn out in over utilized areas, and concern that over utilized areas in 1992 have not recovered. Under the "Policy for Authorizing Livestock Use for the 1993 Grazing Season" issued by the Susanville BLM District in January of this year, provisions are made for assessment of residual perennial forage and plant vigor prior to authorization of turn out for livestock. We are continuing to monitor the conditions on the allotment to determine if adequate forage and vigor are sufficient for livestock use. Although precipitation has surpassed average for

this winter, we are still concerned about the effects that 6 years of drought have had on the long-term health of the range and believe that in most cases, special management considerations will still need to be implemented.

It was commented that moderate utilization does not provide for improvement of over utilized areas, i.e., riparian. The terms and conditions under the Grazing Decision of March 6, 1992, call for the removal of livestock from an area that is approaching or has reached the maximum utilization objective. This has been defined as 40-60 percent, depending on the area. Specific riparian objectives were established for three critical management areas. The utilization limit is 40 percent on these specific critical riparian areas. We will continue to monitor these areas to ensure compliance with objectives. A plan to specify how livestock will be moved from these areas is required from the permittee prior to turnout for this grazing season.

Cooperation and participation by all affected parties are necessary if we are to be successful at achieving sound management of all the resources in the East Lassen region. I would like to invite any Affected Interests to accompany us in the field to evaluate conditions at any time. If you would be interested in doing so, please contact Steve Surian or myself at (916) 257-0456. Thank you for your interest in these issues. We look forward to continuing to work with you on future management in the East Lassen Project Area.

Sincerely,



Linda D. Hansen
Area Manager

Enclosure
Fact Sheet

TWIN PEAKS ALLOTMENT GRAZING MANAGEMENT

The AUM allocation for Twin Peaks Allotment was set at 20,531 after the Cal Neva Grazing EIS. This is split between cattle and sheep, with two operators running cattle.

- 1985 - Allotment Management Plan completed for the Twin Peaks Allotment. Grazing preference to be re-evaluated after 5 years of monitoring.
- 1989 - Agreement signed by the BLM, Permittees, CDFG and NDOW to establish guidelines for reviewing and managing the Twin Peaks Allotment.
- 1990 - On May 24, Summary of Results of the Objective Setting Process (Allotment Management Plan Review Committee). New ten-year grazing permit issued, Active AUMs were set at 13,430, Suspended AUMs amounted to 7,101.
- 1991 -
 - July 18 - Joint Tour of East Lassen Herd Area, including BLM, NDOW, and CDFG. (Suggested actions by CDFG included changing grazing permit to annual, immediate actions to prevent further deterioration of riparian areas/ important wildlife habitat, issue formal decisions prior to next grazing season 3/1992).
 - August 22, field tour of Twin Peaks with BLM and permittees in preparation for AMP revisions.
- 1992 -
 - Draft Environmental Assessment completed for changes in grazing use for 1992. Released to public on 2/14.
 - March 6, Grazing Agreement, Record of Decision and Full force & Effect Grazing Decision signed.
 - April 14, copies of all documents sent to Affected Interests. Thirty-day appeal period opens for Record of Decision/EA.
 - Six appeals filed (NDOW, CDFG, NRDC, CMDA, SC, Audubon)
 - June 1, Two Year Monitoring Action Plan put into effect for terms of Grazing Decision.
 - September 11, Full Force and Effect Grazing Decision issued to remove all livestock from Twin Peaks Allotment for remainder of grazing season.
- 1993 - January, Policy for Authorizing Grazing Use for 1993 Grazing Season issued to all permittees.