

COVE CREEK C&H ALLOTMENT
ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This is the annual operating instructions for the 2008 grazing season for the Cove Creek 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			
No.	On Date	Off Date	H.M.s	No.	On Date	Off Date	H.M.s
5	7/1	11/15	23	5	7/1	11/15	23

II. Grazing Schedule and Monitoring Utilization Standards

Actual Grazing Schedule				Allowable Standards	
Unit No.	Unit Name	# head	Dates	Riparian	Uplands
1	Cove Cr.	23	7/1-11/15	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.

The Cove Creek C&H Allotment is not divided into units. The USFS portion of this allotment is grazed in common with the permittees private land. The Cove Creek Allotment (USFS portion) is upland. This allotment is grazed season long from 7/1-11/15. Use on the USFS portion of the allotment should not exceed 23 head months.

- **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.

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 disposed of properly.

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

IV. IMPROVEMENT MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION

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.

I have reviewed and accepted this Annual Operating Instructions for the 2008 grazing season. Any changes to these Annual Operating Instructions must be approved by the District Ranger.

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