Dayle Funka, District Ranger

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Grand Mesa, Uncompangre, and Gunnison National Forests

RE: North Valley Allotments Environmental Assessment

Trampe Ranches Legacy LLC takes this opportunity to submit the following comments regarding the Butte North Allotment portion of the North Valley Allotments Environmental Assessment.

Various Trampe business entities have been involved with the two allotments and the private land for nearly 100 years. We understand and endorse the need for this assessment to bring the Butte North Allotment into compliance with all the controlling Federal Acts and regulations concerning livestock grazing on United States Forest Service Lands.

Trampe Ranches Legacy LLC is the grazing permittee on the Butte North Allotment, and the adjoining Gothic C&H Allotment. Trampe Ranches LLC is the private landowner described in the assessment.

The existing fencing infrastructure has allowed for a historical grazing management regime described by the Allotment-Specific actions portion of the assessment. The flexibility that the proposed actions allow are necessary for various cattle management scenarios adapted to fit different seasonal weather patterns. All flexibility must be used to protect natural resource values to the greatest extent possible.

Trampe Ranches Legacy LLC fully supports the Butte North Allotment allotment-specific actions proposed by this assessment.

If further information is needed feel free to contact Bill Trampe or ema

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