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Comments: I would like to submit the following as my comments. My husband and I have been public land ranchers for 35 years and have had many experiences in the GMUG National Forest. We are firm believers in the multiple use concept - we all can share the National Forest - grazing and recreation can co-exist. We need to respect one another. Our livestock management is beneficial in that we help maintain the trails and help keep down the fuels to prevent wildfires. Our water developments help provide added water sources for the wildlife as well as livestock. We have found the management tool of the grazing response index is a valuable way to monitor the utilization of the range more so than relying on stubble height. It is a more comprehensive indicator of the use - more of a big picture view and trend indicator. And on the subject of trails, we like to have more trails open. We use ATVs to check on the livestock, distribute salt, check fences, and get around to do range monitoring. We can all share the GMUG National Forest. Thank you for your time.