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Comments:

I have hiked and camped in dozens of National Forests and Wilderness Areas and have frequently encountered cattle. It is obvious that cattle grazing degrades the landscape and alters the local environment from mammals to microorganisms.

With the Climate Crisis upon us we must do everything possible to encourage the growth of forests and that includes reducing the archaic practices originating over a century ago.

What I have read about your current proposed Rangeland Management Directives is a step backwards. The Forest Service must not encourage or deregulate the use of grazing permits and must ensure that current permit holders follow the rules.

In addition, you are required by federal law - the National Environmental Policy Act - to have a review process that includes public input. I trust that you will obey the law.