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Comments: Livestock grazing is an abysmal practice on public land. It degrades vegetation communities, riparian habitats, bleeds sediment into fish habitat, damages soils, spreads noxious weeds, displaces native wildlife--the list goes on and on. Perhaps worst of all, it results in emission of methane, an especially potent greenhouse gas. Livestock operations make up a significant component of the greenhouse gasses emitted by human civilization. Livestock grazing also degrades the quality of America's Wilderness system. Livestock grazing costs the American taxpayer immensely, given the huge subsidy it represents for private livestock operators on public lands, the costs of the impacts of which are forced onto all citizens.

Get rid of the damn cows and other privately owned livestock from public lands. These directives are written seemingly in denial of the science and known impacts on ecosystems and our economy.