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Comments: Livestock grazing is at odds with the fundamental mandate of the Wilderness Act that Wilderness remain "untrammeled," and with the Biden Administration's 30x30 land conservation agenda. Before perpetuating rangeland management directives, the consequences of livestock grazing must be fully examined and addressed through a transparent public process that complies with federal law, including the National Environmental Policy Act.

Current conditions often cannot support increased, or even current, grazing levels. To protect Wilderness, other public lands and wildlife, the FS must encourage and prioritize the following:

- \* The retirement of voluntary grazing permits across the National Forest system. Increased grazing would fuel its contribution to the climate and biodiversity crises.
- \* The recovery of imperiled or threatened species in National Forests, and assurance that recovery is not jeopardized by livestock grazing.
- \* A more comprehensive rulemaking process that complies with the National Environmental Policy Act.

While livestock grazing is still permitted, the Forest Service must maintain authority for grazing management decisions and hold those with permits accountable for harm caused to public lands by their livestock.