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Comments: Dear Sirs:

I am very opposed to the FS proposed revisions to its livestock grazing program. For years, cattle have reigned supreme over public lands in the West and in Wilderness Areas. I have hiked and backpacked in many Western states and it doesn't take a rocket scientist to see the incredible damage cattle grazing has on these arid areas. It is hard to understand that your recommendations include expanding grazing across our National Forests and within Wilderness by directing vacant allotments to be fully restocked and by returning grazing to the excessive levels permitted in the 1960's. If any changes are to be made in grazing allotments, they should decrease, not increase. Your agency is ignoring a huge factor that is changing land all over the world..climate change. Climate change is real and your agency should certainly consider it's impacts when considering future decisions about cattle grazing. It is rapidly changing plant life and ability of plants and animals to adapt to extreme temperatures and extreme weather events. Allowing more cattle to graze on public land when climate change is already creating havoc with the natural cycles of weather and plant growth would be a disaster. I implore your agency to take the right course of action and drop its proposed Rangeland Management Directives. Surely you can do better!