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Comments: I strongly urge the Forest Service to drop the proposed Rangeland Management Directives. The directives would turn millions of acres over to grazing, which is directly at odds with the Wilderness Act mandate that such areas remain "untrammeled". Such grazing would degrade these lands in ways that could be difficult to reverse. As proof, we need only look to the grazing levels permitted in the 1960's and the damage caused by those levels. We cannot sustain the levels currently permitted, much less increase them.

The Forest Service must maintain authority over the lands entrusted to it, and must eliminate grazing where possible, particularly in the habitats and migratory ranges of threatened and imperiled animal species. Where grazing is allowed, the Service must ensure that grazing permit holders be responsible for the impacts of their livestock on public lands.

I urge the Forest Service to abandon the leftover Trump-era proposals, particularly the proposed Rangeland Management Directives, and instead to undertake a more comprehensive rulemaking process in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.