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Comments: Dear USFS, I oppose any expansion of grazing in our national forests and especially in wilderness areas. Unused allotments should be permanently retired. Grazing fees should be increased (I know this requires amendment to existing law). Grazing has severe impacts on national forest riparian areas in particular. Every summer, I spent quite a bit of time dodging cow patties and seeing wetlands and drainages that have been torn up by cattle. I support multi-use, but one use (grazing) should not imperil others--watershed conservation, habitat conservation, endangered species management, and recreation. I do support incentives (i.e., below market lease rates) to encourage the maintenance of large, intact private lands aka family ranches over subdivisions but not at the expense of National Forest habitat. Sincerely, Eric Dalton