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Comments: I urge you to do the right thing for wilderness and drop the proposed Rangeland Management Directives.

Livestock grazing on National Forests, including millions of acres of Wilderness, significantly degrades our public lands, and is fundamentally at odds with the mandate of the Wilderness Act that Wilderness remain "untrammelled."

Current grazing levels often cannot be supported, so the Forest Service should definitely not return grazing to the excessive levels permitted in the 1960s. Instead grazing policies should encourage and prioritize voluntary grazing permit retirement in order to reduce permitted livestock grazing across the National Forest system, so as to protect Wilderness, other public lands, and wildlife.

In addition, the recovery of imperiled or threatened species needs to be prioritized in National Forests and wilderness areas, and grazing permittees held accountable for the impacts their livestock has on public lands.