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Comments: Today the negative impacts of livestock grazing are much more clearly understood than was the case in decades past. These effects include degraded water quality and soils, the spread of invasive weeds, destruction of riparian and other important habitats, reduced forage for and displacement of native wildlife, and much more. The recovery of imperiled or threatened species needs to be prioritized on national forests and livestock grazing managed so as not to jeopardize species' recovery.

These are among the reasons I find it astonishing (even irresponsible) that the Forest Service would even consider expanding the amount of grazing on national forest and designated wilderness lands. We should be moving in the reverse direction and reducing such grazing. Please, at a minimum cancel the current plans for expansion.

Thank you for your consideration.