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Comments: I urge you to DROP the proposed Rangeland Management Directives as they would create all sorts of negative environmental consequences. When you expand grazing across our National Forests and within Wilderness by directing vacant allotments to be fully restocked you would essentially be returning grazing to the harmful and excessive levels permitted in the 1960s. Already conditions on the ground there cannot support increased grazing.
As well, the proposals fail to hold livestock grazers accountable by not setting proper standards to adequately monitor conditions on the ground, and it excludes the public (the people who actually own these lands, according to law,) from some grazing decision processes. Increasing grazing would not only up the livestock contribution to climate change and biodiversity crises, but runs directly counter to the Biden Administration's 30x30 land conservation agenda by sacrificing what could be protected lands to the commercial livestock industry.