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Comments: I am writing in response to the U. S. Forest Service's Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) evaluating the future of 10 domestic sheep allotments covering about 144,000 acres in the High Uintas Wilderness. It is my understanding that:

The High Uintas Wilderness should be dedicated to its native wildlife, and livestock grazing should be limited. Grazing by domestic sheep and cows compromises the High Uintas watersheds, fouls the lakes and streams, and severely degrades the experience of visitors seeking a Wilderness experience.

Domestic sheep grazing is incompatible with recovering native bighorn sheep population and, if it remains in the High Uintas, the native bighorn sheep are likely doomed.

Killing native predators to protect sheep or cows should be prohibited. The SDEIS fails to disclose how many native predators-such as black bears, mountain lions, or coyotes-are killed in the High Uintas Wilderness to protect domestic sheep. The SDEIS also fails to disclose the effects continued sheep grazing has on the potential for recovering native wildlife such as wolves and grizzly bears.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Support the no grazing option as it is best for the wildlife, watersheds, recreation, and the Wilderness. At the very least, the Forest Service should close any sheep grazing allotment if the permit is waived back to the Forest Service.?