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Comments: The High Uintas Wilderness should be dedicated to native wildlife. Livestock grazing should not be allowed as it causes competition for food and space between wildlife and livestock, to wildlife's detriment, and it also results in the spread of disease to native species.

Grazing by domestic sheep and cows compromises this area's watersheds, fouls its lakes and streams, and severely degrades human visitor experience of the Wilderness. Grazing should be discontinued to meet the public's interest in protecting the High Uintas for wildlife and an authentic Wilderness experience for visitors.

Domestic sheep grazing is incompatible with recovery of the native bighorn sheep population.

Killing native predators to protect sheep or cows should be prohibited even if domestic livestock grazing is allowed to continue in a reduced manner. The SDEIS fails to disclose how many native predators (e.g., 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 of continued sheep grazing on the potential for recovering of wolf and grizzly bear populations.

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.?