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Comments: Good Day,

As an owner of Public Lands in the West I oppose the use of the Uintah Mountains for grazing purposes

I have personally enjoyed the High Uintah Range as a hiker and solo female backpacker. This is the ONLY EAST WEST MOUNTAIN CHAIN in America, a pristine and rugged wilderness in Utah. Letting livestock graze in this would be an absolute travesty and would create damage that would not be recovered. Wilderness areas such as the Uintahs are necessary not only as a stand alone ecosystem but as part as a interconnected network which many larger wildlife species depend upon for migration. With grazing permissions also comes fencing which blocks the migration paths of species such as elk, wolves, deer, and many other species.