

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUPs because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decisions:

The Southeastern Oregon RMP (SEORMP) allocated livestock grazing within the Radar Hill allotment, consistent with meeting other resource management objectives, as noted on pages 56 through 60. Specific information related to management objectives and direction, as well as resource concerns, within Radar Hill allotment are provided on page E-128 (Appendix E). Appendix R of the SEOPRMP identifies the potential consequences of various season of livestock use as well as intensities of livestock use as related to meeting resource management objectives. Appendix R identified the benefits to maintaining upland plant species with deferment of grazing use out of the active growing season periodically and the benefits of periodic year-long rest. The Radar Hill AMP implemented a rest rotation grazing schedule in the allotment with one year of scheduled use during the active growing season for upland bunchgrass species, one year deferment of grazing use until after the active growing season and one year rest during each three year cycle of the grazing rotation. This grazing schedule was carried forward with implementation of the SEORMP, pending periodic evaluation and any subsequent activity planning to better meet resource management objectives.

The proposed action is in conformance with the LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following LUP decisions (objectives, terms, and conditions) and, if applicable, implementation plan decisions:

Not Applicable

C. Identify the applicable NEPA document(s) and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

List by name and date all applicable NEPA documents that cover the proposed action.

The Draft Southeast Oregon Resource Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement (October 1998) and the Proposed Southeastern Oregon Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (April 2001) are NEPA documents leading to decisions of the SEORMP. Additionally, the Radar Hill Allotment Management Plan Environmental Assessment (March 1995) (OR-030-95-6) is the NEPA document leading to the decision to implement the Radar Hill AMP and inclusion of terms and conditions of grazing permits for use in Radar Hill Allotment. The above NEPA documents analyzed resource consequences of implementing the spring and fall rest rotation grazing schedule within Radar Hill allotment.

List by name and date other documentation relevant to the proposed action (e.g., source drinking water assessments, biological assessment, biological opinion, watershed assessment, allotment evaluation, rangeland health standard's assessment and determinations, and monitoring the report).

The Draft Southeast Oregon Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (October 1998) and the Proposed Southeastern Oregon Resource Management Plan and Final

reasonably conclude that all new information and all new circumstances are insignificant with regard to analysis of the proposed action, especially in light of the fact that the proposed revisions do not constitute a change in impacts resulting from different season of grazing use.

4. Are the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects that would result from implementation of the new proposed action similar (both quantitatively and qualitatively) to those analyzed in the existing NEPA document?

Documentation of answer and explanation:

The direct and indirect impacts of the proposed revision to the dates of grazing use within Radar Hill allotment are the same as those analyzed in the Radar Hill AMP EA and SEORMP EIS.

5. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?

Documentation of answer and explanation:

No new interested publics have identified their desire to be informed of livestock management changes in Radar Hill allotment since implementation of the AMP.

E. Persons/Agencies /BLM Staff Consulted

Name _____ Title _____ Resource/Agency Represented _____

Note: Refer to the EA/EIS for a complete list of the team members participating in the preparation of the original environmental analysis or planning documents.

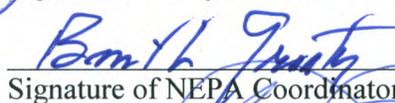
CONCLUSION (If you found that one or more of these criteria is not met, you will not be able to check this box.)

- Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the existing NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action and constitutes BLM's compliance with the requirements of NEPA.

Note: If one or more of the criteria are not met, a conclusion of conformance and/or NEPA adequacy cannot be made and this box cannot be checked.



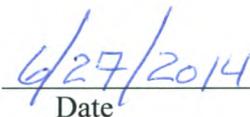
Signature of Project Lead



Signature of NEPA Coordinator



Signature of the Responsible Official:



Date

Note: The signed Conclusion on this Worksheet is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal decision process and does not constitute an appealable decision. However, the lease, permit, or other authorization based on this DNA is subject to protest or appeal under 43 CFR Part 4 and the program-specific regulations.

Guidelines for Using the DNA Worksheet and Evaluating the NEPA Adequacy Criteria

These guidelines supplement the policies contained in the Instruction Memorandum entitled "Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Adequacy." During preparation of the worksheet, if you determine that one or more of the criteria are not met, you do not need to complete the worksheet. If one or more of these criteria are not met, you may reject the proposal, modify the proposal, or complete appropriate NEPA compliance (EA, EIS, Supplemental EIS, or CX if applicable) and plan amendments before proceeding with the proposed action.

Criterion 1. Is the current proposed action substantially the same action (or is a part of that action) as previously analyzed? Explain whether and how the existing documents analyzed the proposed action (include page numbers). If there are differences between the actions included in existing documents and the proposed action, explain why they are not considered to be substantial.

Criterion 2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the current proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, and resource values? Explain whether the alternatives to the current proposed action that were analyzed in the existing NEPA documents and associated records constitute appropriate alternatives with respect to the current proposed action, and if so, how. Identify how current issues and concerns were addressed within the range of alternatives in existing NEPA documents. If new alternatives are being raised by the public to address current issues and concerns, and you conclude they do not need to be analyzed, explain why.

Criterion 3. Is the existing analysis valid in light of any new information or circumstances? If new information or new circumstances, including the items listed below, are applicable, you need to demonstrate that they are irrelevant or insignificant as applied to the existing analysis of the proposed action. New information or circumstances could include the following:

a) New standards or goals for managing resources. Standards and goals include, but are not limited to, BLM's land health standards and guidelines, recovery plans for listed species prepared by the Fish and Wildlife Service or National Marine Fisheries Service, requirements contained in agency habitat conservation strategies, a biological opinion, or a conference report related to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act; Environmental Protection Agency water quality regulations for Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) (40 CFR 130); and the requirement to address disproportionate impacts on minority populations and low income communities (E.O. 12898).

b) Changes in resource conditions within the affected area where the existing NEPA analyses were conducted, for example, changes in habitat condition and trend; changes in the

legal status of listed, proposed, candidate, and BLM-designated sensitive species; water quality, including any identified impaired water bodies under Section 303 of the Clean Water Act; air quality; vegetation condition and trend; soil stability; visual quality; cultural resource condition; wildlife population trend(s); etc.

c) Changes of resource-related plans, policies, or programs of State and local governments, Indian tribes, or other Federal agencies, such as, State- or Environmental Protection Agency-approved water quality restoration plans.

d) Designations established in the affected area since the existing NEPA analysis and documentation was prepared. Designations include, but are not limited to, designated wilderness, wilderness study areas, National Natural Landmarks, National Conservation Areas, National Monuments, National Register properties, Areas of Critical Environmental Concern, Research Natural Areas, areas designated under the source Water Protection Program of the State or the Environmental Protection Agency, and listing of critical habitats by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

e) Other changed legal requirements, such as changes in statutes, case law, or regulations.

Criterion 4. Do the methodology and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) continue to be appropriate for the proposed action? Explain how the methodologies and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) are current and sufficient for supporting approval of the proposed action. If valid new technologies and methodologies exist (e.g., air quality modeling), explain why it continues to be reasonable to rely on the method previously used.

Criterion 5. Are the direct and indirect impacts of the current proposed action substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)? Does the existing NEPA document(s) analyze site-specific impacts related to the current proposed action? Review the impact analysis in the existing NEPA document(s). Explain how the direct and indirect impacts of the proposed action are analyzed in the existing NEPA documents, and would, or would not, differ from those identified in the existing NEPA document. Consider the effect new information or circumstances may have on the environmental impacts predicted in the existing NEPA document. Consider whether the documents sufficiently analyze site-specific impacts related to the current proposed action.

Criterion 6. Are the reasonably foreseeable cumulative impacts that would result from implementation of the proposed action substantially unchanged from those identified in the existing NEPA document(s)? Would the current proposed action, if implemented, change the cumulative impact analysis? Consider the impact analysis in existing NEPA document(s), the effects of relevant activities that have been implemented or projected since existing NEPA documents were completed, and the effects of the current proposed action.

Criterion 7. Is the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action? Explain how the nature of

public involvement in previous NEPA documents remains in compliance with NEPA public involvement requirements in light of current conditions, information, issues, and controversies.