

**LOUSE CANYON GEOGRAPHIC MANAGEMENT AREA
STANDARDS OF RANGELAND HEALTH EVALUATION**

Jordan Resource Area Interdisciplinary (ID) Team Recommendation:

We recommend adoption of Alternative III, described in this evaluation, as the Preferred Alternative for management of Louse Canyon Geographic Management Area, and we offer a spread of five other alternatives which we believe represent a reasonable range for analysis and consideration.

Alternative III provides for a sustained yield of forage for livestock grazing, while maintaining resource values for long-term multiple use. The alternative is consistent with resource objectives in the Southeastern Oregon Resource Management Plan Record of Decision (September 2002).

The success of this alternative will hinge upon sustaining light livestock utilization levels in uplands and sufficient summer/fall re-growth of riparian/wetlands.

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Jordan Resource Area Field Manager Approval:

I concur with the Jordan Resource Area ID Team recommendation as described in the Proposed Management Alternatives for Louse Canyon Geographic Management Area.

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