

TIMING LIMITATION STIPULATION
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE NESTING HABITAT

Stipulation: Surface occupancy and use is prohibited within 1/2 mile of sharp-tailed grouse leks from March 15 through June 30.

On the lands described below:

Objective: To protect sharp-tailed grouse nesting habitat necessary for long-term maintenance of sharp-tailed grouse populations.

Exception: The AO may grant an exception if the operator submits a plan that demonstrates the impacts from the proposed action can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area may be modified if the AO determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting the sharp-tailed grouse populations. The AO may also modify the size and shape of the area based on studies documenting actual habitat suitability and/or local periods of actual use.

Waiver: This stipulation may be waived if the AO determines that the entire leasehold no longer contains sharp-tailed grouse nesting habitat.

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