

**Determination  
Standards for Rangeland Health and  
Conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management**

<b>Field Office:</b> Jarbidge Field Office			<b>Watershed Name:</b> Saylor Creek
<b>Allotment Name/Number:</b> East Juniper Draw / 1132			
<b>Public Land (acres)</b>			<b>Streams on Public Land (miles):</b> 0
<b>Upland:</b> 20,704	<b>Riparian:</b> 0	<b>Total:</b> 20,704	
<b>Date(s) of Field Assessment:</b> 2002			<b>Name of Permittee(s):</b> Cedar Creek Cattle Co.

**Assessment Participants (Name & Discipline or Interest):**

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**Standard 1 (Watersheds)**

Check those that apply:[*One or more boxes must be checked.*]

<input type="checkbox"/> Standard doesn't apply	
<input type="checkbox"/> Meeting the Standard.	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Meeting the Standard, Livestock Grazing Management Practices are Significant Factors.
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Meeting the Standard, but making significant progress to meeting the Standard.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Meeting the Standard, Livestock Grazing Management Practices are <b>not</b> Significant Factors.
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**Rationale/Information Sources:**

About 50 % of the Allotment is noted to have slight to moderate deviation from expected condition. Some of the concerns are rills noted in some of the draws, but old gullies are healing. Bare ground more than expected (up to 19 percent) at some sites. Also, the A horizon is

reduced in interspaces, which means that soil loss has occurred. However, it is determined to be historic and not from current management.

**Standard 2 (Riparian Areas and Wetlands)**

Check those that apply:[*One or more boxes must be checked.*]

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Rationale/Information Sources:

There are no streams with perennial or intermittent water flows are located within the East Juniper draw Allotment. Therefore, neither Standard 2 or Standard 3 are applicable to this allotment.

**Standard 3 (Stream Channel/Floodplain)**

Check those that apply:[*One or more boxes must be checked.*]

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Rationale/Information Sources:

(Refer to Standard 2.)

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**Standard 4 (Native Plant Communities)**Check those that apply:[*One or more boxes must be checked.*]

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Rationale/Information Sources:

Shrub, forbs, and/or perennial native grass components are low in some areas. There is a weak compaction layer, but roots can penetrate. Some smaller areas burned in the past that have been invaded with cheatgrass. Cheatgrass is scattered in the allotment, but not dominant. Some plants with low vigor in a few areas.

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**Standard 5 (Seedings)**Check those that apply:[*One or more boxes must be checked.*]

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Rationale/Information Sources:

For the most part, this Standard is met for seedings. The most concern is the presence of cheatgrass in the plant communities. Native forbs, grasses and shrubs are low in composition, but they are not diminishing. Livestock grazing use is mainly in the dormant and season and

when grazed in the spring, use is rotated so it is not grazed occur two consecutive years during this critical growth period.

**Standard 6 (Exotic Plant Communities, Other than Seedings)**

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Rationale/Information Sources:

**Standard 7 (Water Quality)**

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Rationale/Information Sources:

**Standard 8 (Threatened and Endangered Plants and Animals)**

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Rationale/Information Sources:

A number of species presently designated as Sensitive species are present in the allotment The most concern with the sensitive animal species is the lack of plant diversity as shown by the limited forb and perennial climax grasses. This allotment has been used in the spring, summer and fall in the past, but it is currently grazed in the fall, winter and spring. Most grazing use occurs during the dormant season now. The allotment is not grazed in the spring during the critical growth period two consecutive years.

There are no plant species presently classified as sensitive known to be in the allotment. Only limited surveys for sensitive plants have been conducted in this allotment and sensitive species may occur. It is unknown whether the standard is being met for special status plant species.

**Determination**

I have determined that the applicable Standards for Rangeland Health 1, 4, 5 and 8 are not being met or are not making significant progress in the East Juniper Draw Allotment. Current livestock grazing practices are found not to be a significant factor in the achieving these Standards.

/s/ E. Guerrero  
Field Manager

5/12/04  
Date