

## Upper Klamath National Wildlife Refuge Special Conditions (Grazing)

The grazing season begins on August 1, 2022 and ends on October 1, 2022. This permit is valid until October 1, 2022. Habitat or weather conditions may reduce or extend these dates upon determination of refuge personnel. No cattle are to directly access water from the lakes or 4 and 7-mile canals. Exclusion from these areas is necessary to prevent cattle manure (phosphorus loading) from directly entering the Klamath River watershed.

Grazing is for wildlife habitat improvement and may only be conducted in the specified unit(s) - (Maps are attached).

NOTE\* Access to the graze units is through private land. It is the responsibility of the bidder to negotiate access.

### FEE COMPUTATION:

The rate for grazing will be decided by the highest bid received. Minimum bid is \$13.00/AUM. Changes in the rates, services and termination dates will be by addendum which may be attached and becomes part of the agreement.

### SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. Permittee will be responsible for the maintenance of fences and gates when accessing the hay unit. Permittee is also responsible for the removal and exclusion of any trespass livestock.
2. Permittee will notify Refuge HQ (541-783-3380) at least 3 days prior to moving animals on or off the grazing unit(s).
3. Cattle must be marked with a brand and/or ear tag for field identification. Cattle straying onto adjacent units must be moved back to the permit unit within 24 hours of notification by refuge personnel.
4. Payment will be made by postal order or check made payable to: **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**. Final payment is due no later than Dec. 31.
5. The Permittee will comply with all Oregon State livestock regulations relating to health and sanitation requirements.
6. **This permit does not imply or establish a grazing use precedent.** Future use of the area will be based upon studies/investigations to determine the most satisfactory use of the area to benefit wildlife and habitat.
7. Permittee will ensure that all equipment operated, parked, or driven onto refuge lands is incapable of leaking fuel, oils, or lubricants onto refuge lands or waters and is clean of noxious weeds/seeds. Any contaminant issues resulting from

haying operations are the responsibility of the Permittee and will be cleaned up immediately.

8. The Permittee agrees that all activities must be conducted according to the dates, conditions and rates specified within this permit. Any changes in the agreement must be made by addendum which will be attached and will become part of the agreement. The Refuge Manager may modify periods of use, and/or cancel this Haying Permit if habitat conditions warrant such actions.

**Failure of the Permittee(s) or their representatives/employees to comply with all conditions attached to this Special Use Permit may, at the Refuge Manager's discretion result in the immediate revocation of this and future permits.**

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**Permittee**

**Date**

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**Refuge Manager**

**Date**