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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Range

ASSIGNMENT/RANGE APPLICATION NOTICE C58463-2026-001

The Assignment and Permit applications are being accepted for available Range Units and Assignments. The units are only available to enrolled Eastern Shoshone or Northern Arapaho Tribal Members. All Permits/Leases are subject to 25 CFR, WRITC Resolution 2025-12120 NABC 2025-2061 Grazing Policy and Procedures, WRITC Resolution 2025-12119 NABC 2025-2060 Rules Governing Assignment. The term of the lease will be the remaining term approved under the WRITC resolutions for a term of 1/1/2027 to 12/31/2030.

An application must be completed and submitted by **4pm on November 13, 2026**. If an application is mailed we must receive the application on or before the due date. Any application received after that date will not be accepted.

GENERAL INFORMATION: It is the responsibility of each Tribal Member to comply with instructions in this notice, to examine maps and allotments, failure to do so, will be at the applicants own risk and cannot secure relief on the plea of error or misunderstanding of its circumstances. It is the responsibility of the prospective Tribal Member to maintain/build any fencing on the property; examine the property prior to submitting the application.

The prospective lessee will be responsible for rental payments to owners in unrestricted (fee) status. All fee acres will be the lessee's responsibility to negotiate.

The Lessee will receive a Permit/Lease packet where you will be required to submit a bond the annual rental and will be responsible for returning the completed Lease packet within 15 (fifteen) business days from the date of receipt. ***Failure to provide all required documents within the specified time period will result in loss of the permit/lease.***

The rental is set at \$1.30 AUM for Tribal Land and \$27.50 for Allotted Land. The rental for Assignments has been set at \$2.00 per acre. The Agency will charge 3% administrative fee of the total annual rent (\$10.00 minimum - \$500.00 maximum).

Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Charges: If the leased premises are within Irrigation Projects, the lessee will be responsible for all O&M charges, which will be issued under separate billing from the Irrigation Department. O&M Assessments are required to be paid on annual basis prior to each Irrigation season. Any delinquent charges will result in a violation of the lease terms and referrals to Collections. The assessment charges vary from year to year.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The Bureau of Indian Affairs is requiring all applicants to be in good standing with irrigation, leases and permits. All outstanding invoices will need to be paid in full or a payment plan needs to be approved prior to the application being accepted.

Assignment with attached Range Unit AUM

1. Tribal Assignment 22 Collins/Kennah Place
RU 38 250 Head of Cattle (AUM 2250) – Tribal
Season of Use 5/1 to 2/15
2. Tribal Assignment 24 French Place
RU 38 250 Head of Cattle (AUM 2250) – Tribal
Season of Use 5/1 to 2/15
3. Tribal Assignment 25 Weldring Place
RU 37 250 Head of Cattle (AUM 2250)
Tribal Season of Use 5/15 to 2/15
4. Tribal Assignment 26 Teeter-Holland Place
RU 34 250 Head of Cattle (395 AUM) – Tribal
Season of Use 7/1 to 9/30
RU 36A 250 Head of Cattle (1500 AUM) – Tribal
Season of Use 5/1 to 6/30 & 10/1 to 2/1
5. Tribal Assignment 57 Lower Countryman Place
RU 17B 250 Head of Cattle (1000 AUM) – Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
RU 19B 250 Head of Cattle (1250 AUM) – Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 4/15 to 5/31 & 10/1 to 1/15

Single Range Unit Only:

6. Range Unit 11-137 Head of Cattle (940 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use: 6/1 to 10/31
7. Range Unit 13-133 Head of Cattle (440 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 6/21 - 9/30

8. Range Unit 13 62 Head of Cattle (220 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/21 - 9/30
9. Range Unit 14 28 Head of Cattle (140 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 5/1 to 6/20 & 10/1-12/15
10. Range Unit 17B 150 Head of Cattle (600 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
11. Range Unit 17C 78 Head of Cattle (351 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 5/15 to 9/30
12. Range Unit 17C 112 Head of Cattle (509.5 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 5/15 to 9/30
13. Range Unit 17D 139 Head of Cattle (556 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
14. Range Unit 17D 52 Head of Cattle (208 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
15. Range Unit 17D 115 Head of Cattle (460 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
16. Range Unit 17D 72 Head of Cattle (289 AUMS)- Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
17. Range Unit 20 31 Head of Cattle (140 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use: 4.5 Months 5/15 to 9/30
18. Range Unit 20 165 Head of Cattle (990 AUM) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 5 Months 5/1 to 9/30
19. Range Unit 20 120 Head of Cattle (600 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 7 Months 4/15 to 12/15
20. Range Unit 24A 36 Head of Cattle (180 AUMS) - Allotted & Tribal Season of Use: 5 Months - 4/15 to 5/31 & 10/1 to 1/15
21. Range Unit 25 30 Head of Cattle (210 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use: 7 months - 4/15 to 11/15
22. Range Unit 25 100 Head of Cattle (500 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 7 months - 4/15 to 11/15
23. Range Unit 25 50 Head of Cattle (350 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal Season of Use 7 months - 4/15 to 11/15
24. Range Unit 28 65 Head of Cattle (390 AUMS) – Allotted & Tribal

Season of Use 6 Month 4/15 to 10/15

25. Range Unit 35 120 Head of Cattle (1080 AUMS) – Tribal
Season of Use 9 Months 5/15 to 2/15

Summer/Winter Range Units:

26. Range Unit 17B 170 Head of Cattle (680 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
Range Unit 19B 75 Head of Cattle (375 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 4/15 to 5/31 & 10/1 to 1/15

27. Range Unit 17B 50 Head of Cattle (200 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 6/1 to 9/30
Range Unit 19B 50 Head of Cattle (250 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 4/15 to 5/31 & 10/1 to 1/15

28. Range Unit 20A 22 Head of Cattle (101 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use: 4.5 months- 4/15 to 5/31 and 10/1 to 12/31
Range Unit 17C 22 Head of Cattle (99 AUMS) Allotted & Tribal
Season of Use 5/15 to 9/30

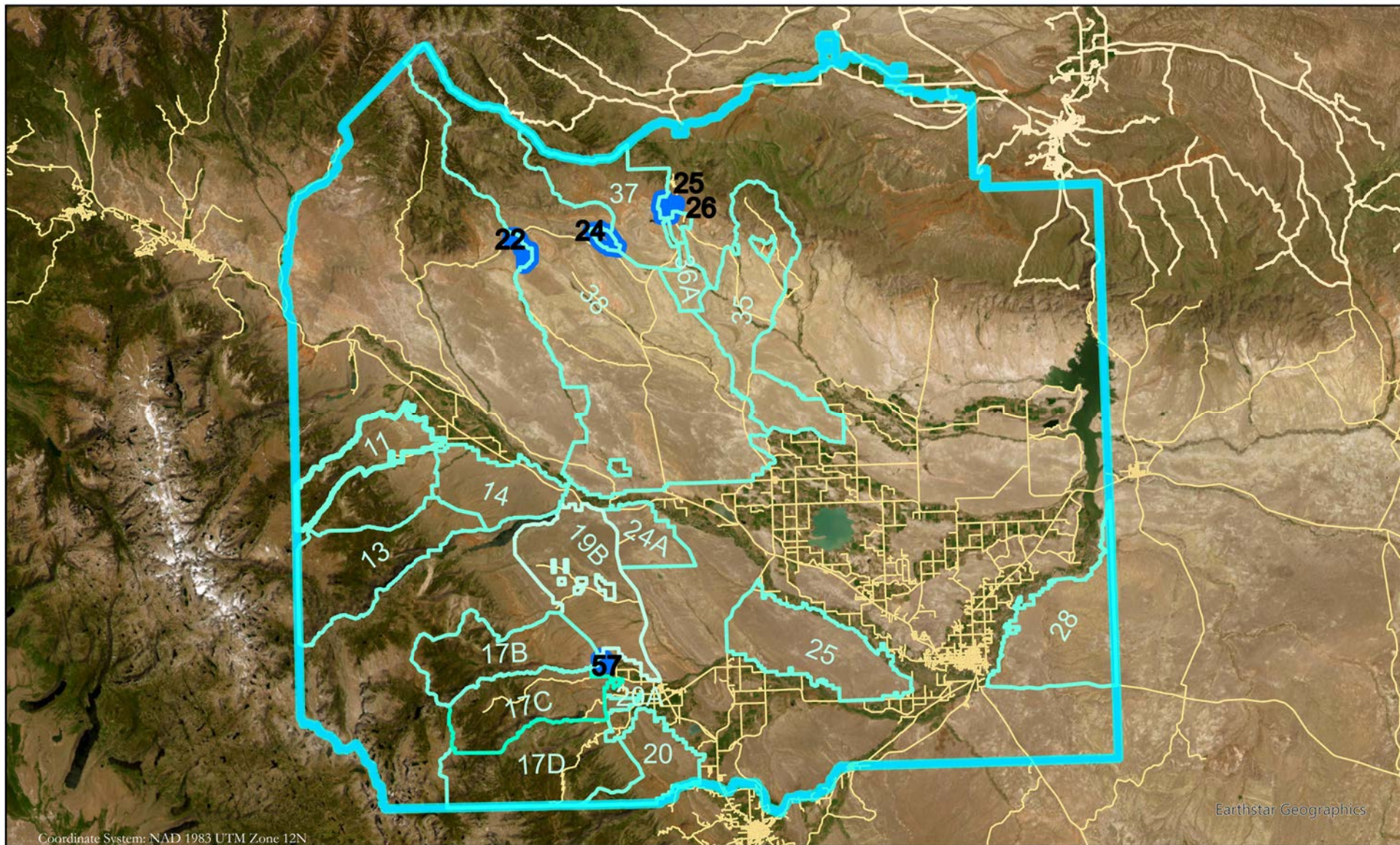
Please submit your application to the Wind River Agency by the due date.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern Shoshone Tribe, Northern Arapaho Tribes, Wind River Inter-Tribal Committee (WRITC) reserve the right to delete or add any item from this advertisement. Announcements will be made at any time during the advertisement of such action and/or at the time of applications being reviewed will supersede this notice.

If you have any questions or need to submit or request an application you may contact the BIA in person (149 Washakie St Ft Washakie WY 82514), by mail (PO Box 158 Ft Washakie WY 82514) or by email:

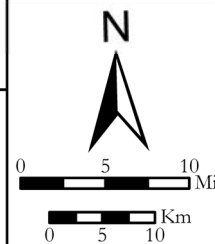
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2026 Range & Assignments

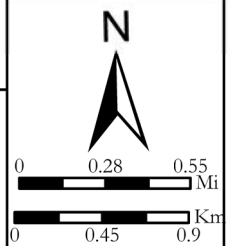
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Tribal Assignment #22 Collins/Kennah

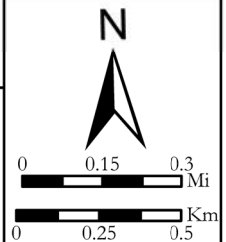
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Tribal Assignment #24 French Place

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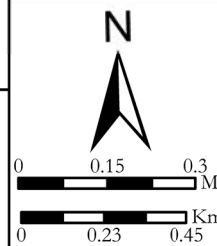


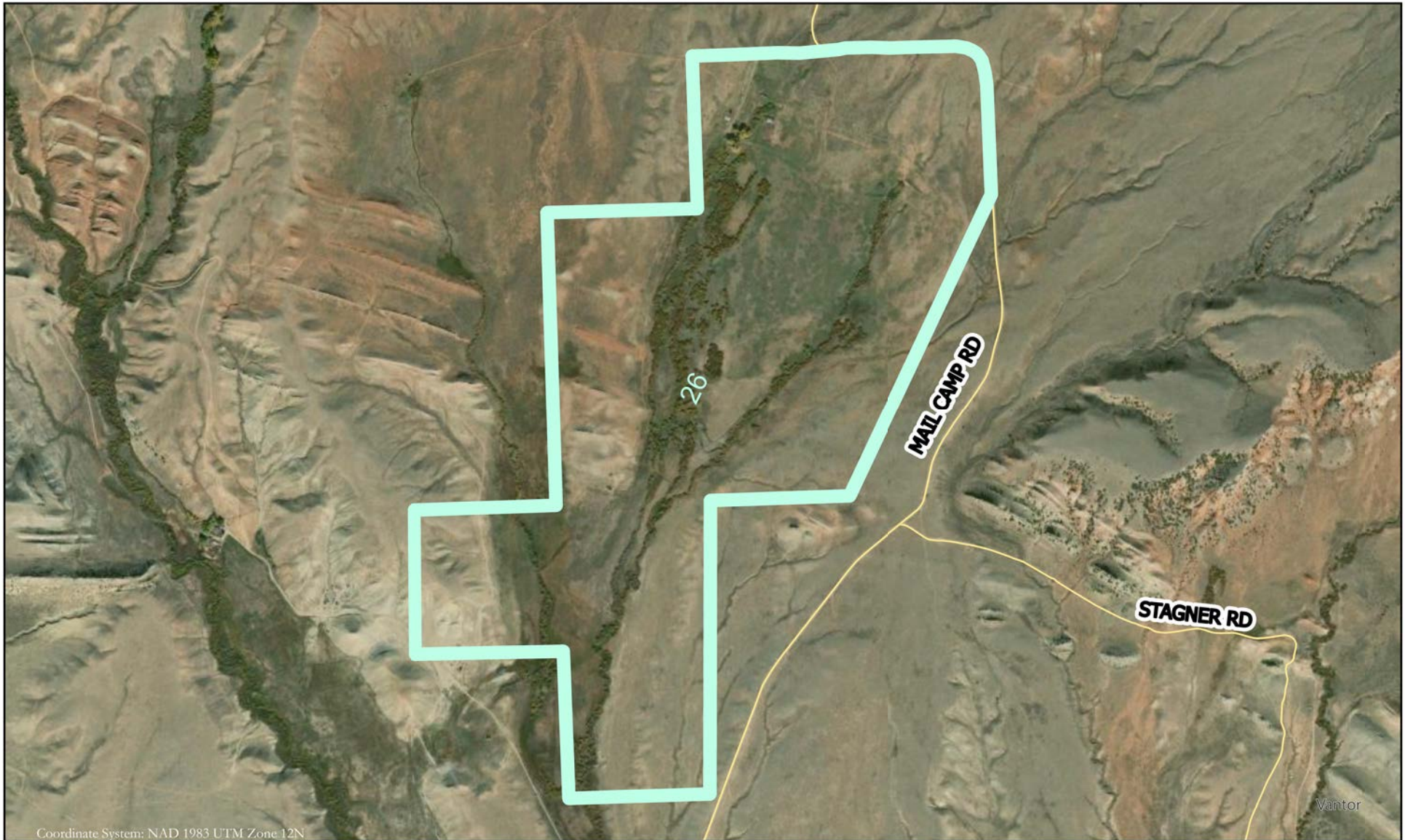
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Tribal Assignment #25 Weidring Place

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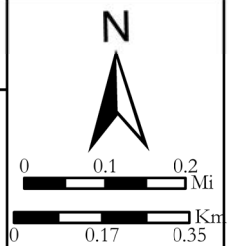
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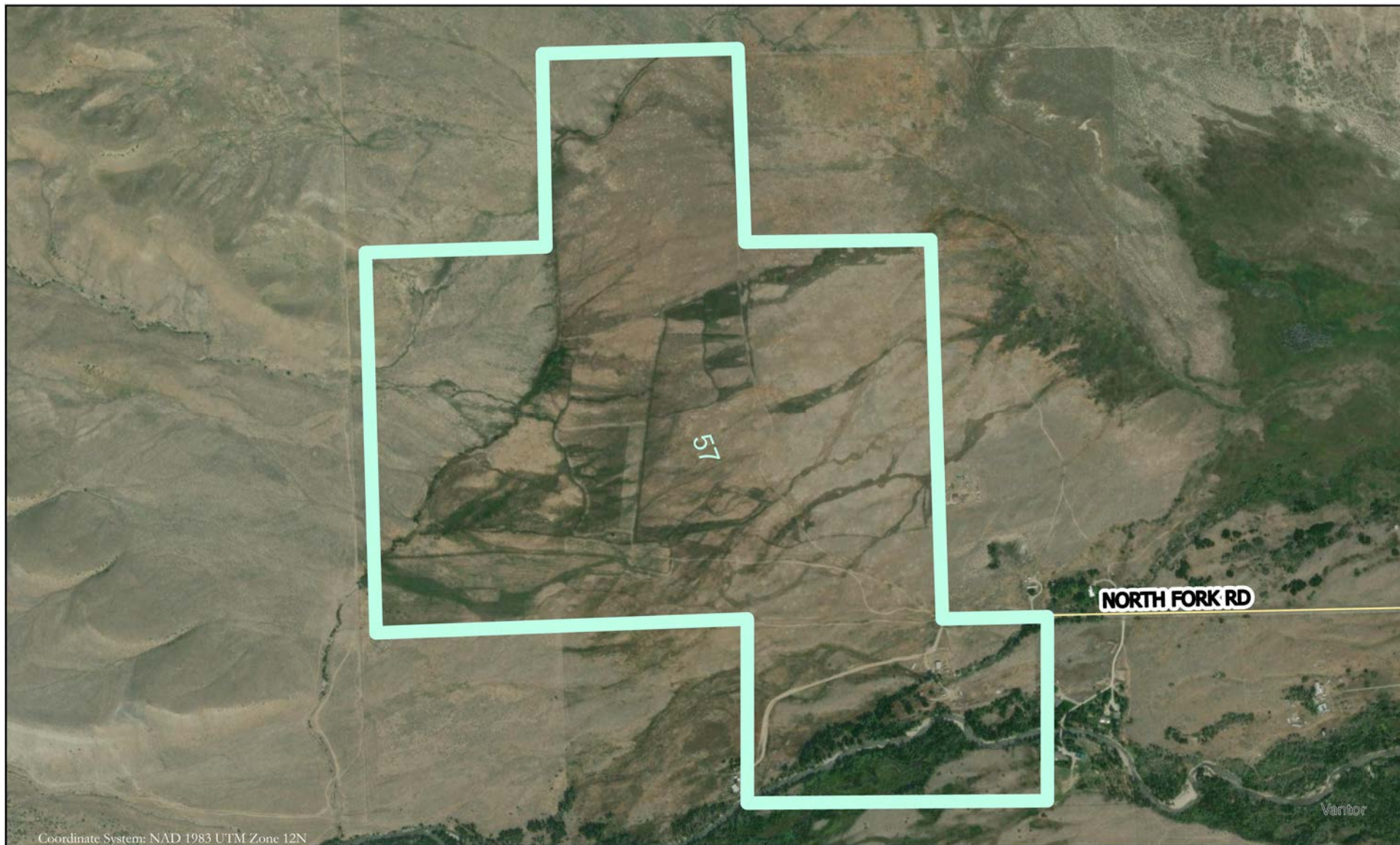


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Tribal Assignment #26 Teeter-Holland Place

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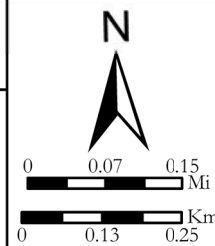


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Tribal Assignment #57 Lower Countryman Place

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Wind River Agency

C58463-2026-001 RANGE ADVERTISEMENT

ITEM # _____

Applicant Name: _____
Applicant Tribe: _____
(Check One) Eastern Shoshone _____ Northern Arapaho _____

Mailing Address: _____
Primary Residential Address: _____

Is Primary Residence: _____ FEE _____ Tribal _____ Allotted _____

Have you resided on the Reservation for one year or more? _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Application Is this a request for an increase in AUMS:
Assignment # _____ (Circle one) YES NO

Application
Range Unit #: _____ Grazing Season From: _____ To: _____ AUMS

Animal Type:	Number of Animals:	Livestock Brands:	Register Brand Owner Name(s):
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

List the Number of Livestock owned that are over 6 months of age, that will be on Grazing Unit. All brands that will be utilized are required to be listed along with ALL of names of the Registered Brand Owner(s).

Holder of Mortgage Lien Against Livestock: _____

Primary location of owned livestock: _____

Who Manages Livestock? _____

Provide Relationship and/or Tribal Affiliation of Livestock Manager: _____

List Spouses Tribal Enrollment Membership: _____

If this application is for more livestock that you own, briefly state the plans made to acquire the additional livestock, including financial arrangements for purchase.

CURRENT PERMIT/ASSIGNMENT LEASEES-State the operational plan and/or reason for changes:

Do you plan to Sublease and/or sell Pasture at any time during lease? Provided detailed explanation.

List of improvements that will be completed and timeframe:

List any improvements that will be removed from lease at cancelled or terminated:

I (we) agree to abide by CFR Title 25 Part 151 and 25 CFR 162 Regulations and all Tribal Assignment and Grazing Resolutions or Laws. If permit is issued I agree to comply with the terms and conditions of permit and I agree to provide livestock ownership documents.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date:** _____

Applicant Printed Name: _____

WITNESS:

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Additional Information/Considerations:



**RESOLUTION
OF THE
WIND RIVER INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12119
NABC RESOLUTION NO. NABC-2025-2060**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING RULES GOVERNING ASSIGNMENTS OF TRIBAL LANDS.

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone Tribe (“EST”) and the Northern Arapaho Tribe (“NAT”) (collectively “Tribes”) are separate sovereign, federally-recognized Indian Tribes with inherent sovereign authority and the right to exercise self-determination and self-governance and the inherent sovereign authority to create, charter, and delegate authority to tribal and inter-tribal organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone Business Council (“ESBC”) and the Northern Arapaho Business Council (“NABC”) are the duly elected governing bodies of their respective Tribes and are authorized by a vote of their respective Tribal citizens to conduct the day-to-day governmental operations and set the policy and procedure for their respective Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council (“WRITC”) is a body created April 17, 2017, by the NABC and the ESBC through the approval of the Wind River Inter-Tribal Accord and further defined through the June 25, 2019, approval of the Wind River Memorandum of Understanding for the Management and Oversight of Shared Tribal Programs and Resources within the Wind River Indian Reservation (“Reservation”) and is authorized under the laws of the Tribes and federal law to manage the joint affairs and assets of the EST and the NAT; and

WHEREAS, the ESBC and NABC have been functioning as the WRITC for the purpose of working collaboratively to manage shared assets and programs on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC is composed of the NABC and the ESBC and any action taken by the WRITC requires a majority vote of each Tribe’s Business Council; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC, on behalf of the NABC and the ESBC, has the duty and obligation to provide for the health, safety and wellbeing of the citizens of each Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the last update for assignments of all lands (“Tribal Lands”) on the Reservation owned by both of the Tribes or held in trust on behalf of both Tribes was adopted by Joint Business Council Resolution #2089 on December 30, 1970; and

WHEREAS, an update to the rules governing assignments of Tribal Lands is necessary.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Rules Governing Assignments of Tribal Lands is hereby updated and approved as follows:

RULES GOVERNING ASSIGNMENTS OF TRIBAL LANDS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

(Adopted January 10, 1946 - Tribal Lands redefined Joint Business Council November 14, 1973)

TRIBAL LANDS

For the purposes of these Rules Governing Assignments of Tribal Lands and for Other Purposes (“Rules”), “Tribal Lands” of the Wind River Indian Reservation (“Reservation”) shall be construed to refer to all lands on the Reservation owned by both the Eastern Shoshone Tribe (“EST”) and the Northern Arapaho Tribe (“NAT”) (collectively “Tribes”) or held in trust on behalf of both Tribes. An assignment is a contract between the Tribes and an assignee, whereby the assignee acquires all of the Tribes’ rights and obligations to use of the assigned Tribal Land pursuant to a permit known as a Grant of Standard Assignment (“Assignment”) and these Rules. A Grant of Standard Assignment will contain specific terms and conditions, including but not limited to the purpose of the Assignment, violation of those terms and conditions or these Rules could result in a forfeiture or loss of the Assignment.

Tribal Lands may be assigned to members of the Tribes, or leased, or otherwise used by the Tribes as hereinafter provided. Any assignee hereby fully understands and agrees to these Rules in addition to any terms or conditions in an Assignment.

An Assignment may be made to any enrolled member of the Tribes who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who will reside on the land so assigned. An assignee shall only be entitled to the use and occupancy of the land and Tribal improvement thereon. An Assignment and the rights granted thereunder may not be transferred or encumbered.

Assignments shall be for a period of five (5) years with a preferential right of renewal in the assignee provided the assignee has faithfully performed all provisions of his or her Assignment and these Rules.

All timber, water rights, mineral rights, and the rights to take easement on the land for public purposes are reserved to the Tribes, but all grants of right-of-way shall be in accordance with the regulations of the Department of the Interior and the laws appertaining thereto including but not limited to the Long-Term Leasing Act, codified at 25 U.S.C. § 415, the HEARTH Act, Public Law 112-151, 126 Stat. 1150, (July 30, 2012), and 25 C.F.R. Part 162.

The Wind River Inter-Tribal Council (“WRITC”) and the Superintendent of the Wind River Agency (“Superintendent”) shall determine the size of the unit upon which Assignments for agriculture and other purposes shall be based.

If land assigned is not used in accordance with the provisions of its Assignment, or any conditions set forth in these Rules, or if proper methods for the preservation of the fertility of the soil are not used, an Assignment may be revoked or modified by the WRITC and the Superintendent.

The WRITC duly grants any Assignment, with the full knowledge and understanding of, and where applicable in accordance with, that part of the requirement appearing in a resolution adopted Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes through resolution 2089 dated 12/30/1970.

That the Tribes have no objection to assignments being made by the WRITC to its own members and their relatives, so long as the individual Council member concerned does not vote for or participate in securing the assignment to him/herself or to his/her relatives; that the word "relative" shall include husband or wife, brother or sister, father or mother, and son or daughter.

A copy of each Assignment must be filed in the Wind River Agency ("Agency"). Such copy shall be available at all times for public inspection.

GRAZING LAND

Any Assignment of Tribal Lands used for grazing is granted, accepted, and approved with the full understanding and the agreement that the Assignment is contingent upon the assignee's ability to have and to hold an approved grazing permit on the Reservation under the Wind River Indian Reservation Grazing Policies and Procedures.

If for any reason a grazing permit issued to the assignee is cancelled by the assignee, such cancellation of a grazing permit shall constitute a breach of the assignee's Assignment and make the Assignment subject to immediate cancellation by the WRITC or the Superintendent. WRITC be notified of the cancellation properly.

RENTAL

The Assignee shall pay the first year's annual rental in full and comply with the terms of within thirty (30) days upon signing an Assignment agreement. The Assignee hereby fully understands and agrees that failure to fulfill and carry out these provisions and terms within forty-five (45) days upon signing an Assignment will constitute sufficient reason to cancel the issuance of an Assignment.

Assignees shall pay an administrative fee of three percent (3%) of yearly rental with a minimum of \$10.00 and a maximum of \$500.00 and shall pay a yearly rental of \$2.00 per acre.

PASTURING OF LIVESTOCK

The pasturing of any and all livestock other than those bearing Assignee's registered brand or brands is prohibited on the lands included under any Assignment. An assignee may not enter into a verbal or written agreement of any type to lease or use the lands included in an Assignment with any third-party. Any agreement with a third-party shall constitute a breach of the Assignment and will constitute sufficient reason to cancel the issuance of an Assignment.

IMPROVEMENTS

The Assignee will maintain all improvements in good repair.

Any improvements, excluding structural improvements, placed upon the land by an Assignee for his or her own convenience and use, and the removal of which would not in any way damage the land or its permanent structures, may be removed from the premises within thirty (30) days after the termination of the Assignment only with written approval of the WRITC and the Superintendent. A removable improvement is an addition to the Assignment that increases its value or utility or that enhances its appearance, including but not limited to fencing, outbuildings, or appliances. Any improvement may not be attached to or constructed in such a way that the removal thereof would in any way damage the land or its permanent structures.

REASSIGNMENT UPON DEATH

The Assignee may designate in writing a person whom he/she wishes to receive his/her Assignment upon his/her death, and the reassignment of said land may be made to such designated person, provided that the person designated is eligible to receive an Assignment on this Reservation under these Rules.

If an Assignee married to a non-Indian spouse or to an Indian not a member of the Shoshone or Arapahoe Tribes of this Reservation dies without issue, the surviving spouse shall not be eligible for reassignment of the land, but shall be allowed a reasonable time, not to exceed six (6) months, to vacate the Assignment and shall be entitled to remove those improvements as outlined above, within thirty days (30) after the time allowed to vacate the Assignment. If the deceased Assignee leaves children as a result of such a marriage who are eligible to receive an Assignment upon reaching the required age, the surviving spouse may continue to use and occupy the Assignment during the minority of the children, with the approval of the WRITC and the Superintendent, reflected in a land-use permit to be issued by the WRITC and the Superintendent for the benefit of the children.

MODIFICATION

An Assignment may be modified by a reduction in acreage, or by the granting of additional acreage to suit the changing needs of the Assignee with the written approval of the Assignee, the WRITC and the Superintendent. A modification may be made to reflect technical services received to prepare conservation plans, to furnish advice on improved farming methods, irrigation improvements, weed control, or other related problems.

CANCELLATION

Assignees shall give the Superintendent and WRITC sixty (60) days written notice of the intent to vacate and cancel the Assignment. The Assignee is liable for all damages to Tribal property on the Assignment until the Assignment is cancelled. An assignee must continue to comply with the terms of the Assignment for any Range Unit maintained after assignee cancels his or her Assignment.

APPEAL

All Assignments shall be approved by the WRITC, and the Superintendent of the Wind River Indian Agency. The action of the Superintendent shall be final unless an appeal is filed as provided under 25 C.F.R. Part 162.025. The action of the WRITC shall be final.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman of the Shoshone Business Council and the Chairman or Co-Chairman of the Arapaho Business Council are directed and authorized to execute and sign any documents necessary to implement this resolution for the Wind River Indian Reservation.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council hereby certifies that the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom four (4) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this seventeenth (17th) day of December, 2025; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of four (4) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 17th day of December, 2025.



Wayland Large, Chairman
Eastern Shoshone Business Council

Attest:


Carolyn Shoyo, WRITC Executive Secretary

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Northern Arapaho Business Council hereby certifies that the Northern Arapaho Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Council, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this seventeenth (17th) day of December, 2025; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Councils, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 17th day of December, 2025.



Keenan Groesbeck, Chairman
Northern Arapaho Business Council

Attest:


Nora Willow, NABC Executive Assistant



**RESOLUTION
OF THE
WIND RIVER INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL**



**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12120
NABC RESOLUTION NO. NABC-2025-2061**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRAZING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR ALL TRIBAL LANDS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WIND RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION.

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone Tribe (“EST”) and the Northern Arapaho Tribe (“NAT”) (collectively “Tribes”) are separate sovereign, federally-recognized Indian Tribes with inherent sovereign authority and the right to exercise self-determination and self-governance and the inherent sovereign authority to create, charter, and delegate authority to tribal and inter-tribal organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone Business Council (“ESBC”) and the Northern Arapaho Business Council (“NABC”) are the duly elected governing bodies of their respective Tribes and are authorized by a vote of their respective Tribal citizens to conduct the day-to-day governmental operations and set the policy and procedure for their respective Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council (“WRITC”) is a body created April 17, 2017, by the NABC and the ESBC through the approval of the Wind River Inter-Tribal Accord and further defined through the June 25, 2019, approval of the Wind River Memorandum of Understanding for the Management and Oversight of Shared Tribal Programs and Resources within the Wind River Indian Reservation (“Reservation”) and is authorized under the laws of the Tribes and the federal law to manage the joint affairs and assets of the Eastern Shoshone and the Northern Arapaho Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the ESBC and NABC have been functioning as the WRITC for the purpose of working collaboratively to manage shared assets and programs on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC is composed of the NABC and the ESBC and any action taken by the WRITC requires a majority vote of each Tribe’s Business Council; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC, on behalf of the NABC and the ESBC, has the duty and obligation to provide for the health, safety and wellbeing of the citizens of each Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC recognizes that there is a need to authorize and approve grazing rules and regulations and balance wildlife habitat restoration for the Wind River Indian Reservation to ensure a comprehensive range plan; and

WHEREAS, the WRITC intends to approve the attached grazing policies and procedures for the purpose of establishing a comprehensive range management program to for the Wind River Indian Reservation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council hereby approves this Resolution approving the attached grazing policies and procedures for the Wind River Indian Reservation and approves the attached provisions for a comprehensive range management program.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairman or Vice-Chairperson of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council and the Chairman or Co-Chairperson of the Northern Arapaho Business Council are delegated the authority and responsibility to sign all documents necessary to initiate this action.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council hereby certifies that the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom five (5) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this seventeenth (17th) day of December, 2025; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of four (4) members of the Eastern Shoshone Business Council, and one (1) member of the Eastern Shoshone voting in opposition, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 17th day of December, 2025.


Wayland K. Large., Chairman
Eastern Shoshone Business Council

Attest:


Carolyn Shoyo, WRITC Executive Secretary

The undersigned, as the Chairman of the Northern Arapaho Business Council hereby certifies that the Northern Arapaho Business Council, consists of six (6) members, of whom four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Council, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, convened, and held this seventeenth (17th) day of December, 2025; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of four (4) members of the Northern Arapaho Business Councils, and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Done at Fort Washakie, Wyoming this 17th day of December, 2025.


Keenan Groesbeck, Chairman
Northern Arapaho Business Council

Attest:


Nora Willow, NABC Executive Assistant

Wind River Indian Reservation Grazing Policies and Procedures

Approved by Wind River Inter-Tribal Council

Resolution No. 2025-12120

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of these grazing policies and procedures is to describe the authorities, policies, and procedures used by the Eastern Shoshone Tribe (“EST”), the Northern Arapaho Tribe (“NAT”), (collectively, the “Tribes”) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Wind River Agency (“BIA”) to approve, grant, and administer permits for grazing on tribal lands within the boundaries of the Wind River Indian Reservation. These policies aim to ensure farming and grazing operations are conducted in accordance with sustained yield management, integrated resource management planning, sound conservation practices, and a comprehensive range management plan.
2. **Duration of the permit period.** Grazing privileges will be authorized for a (five) 5-year period for enrolled members of the Tribes beginning January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2031.
3. **Eligibility for Non-Competitive Grazing Permits.**
 - a. **Age.** Only enrolled members of the Tribes aged eighteen (18) or older are eligible for a non-competitive grazing permit (“Permit”). Permits will **not** automatically renew
 - b. **Family Units:** Family Unit Permits may also be issued where a "family" refers to an extended household, **mother/father/children/grandparents/and other direct blood relatives** being enrolled members of the Tribes.
 - c. **Residency.** Permittees must reside within the exterior boundaries of the Wind River Indian Reservation, including trust lands, for at least twelve (12) months prior to applying. Exceptions for armed forces members or students may be granted with approval from the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils or a designated committee.
4. **Livestock.**
 - a. **Ownership of Livestock/Branding.** Individuals and Family Units possessing a Permit (“Permittees”) must be the sole owners of the livestock grazed on permitted lands and all brands must be submitted to the BIA and documented on a Permit application or the application will be deemed incomplete. Joint ownership of livestock with non-Indians or spouses that are not enrolled members of the Tribes is prohibited. Brands of children under eighteen (18) that are members of the Tribes may be grazed. **No other brands are allowed without written permission from both the BIA and the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils.** If ownership is in question, the Permittee must provide proof to the BIA Superintendent and the designated Tribal Livestock Officer.
 - b. **Ear Tags.** Ear tags must be uniform in color, have the brand behind the ear tag or on an additional ear tag, and be documented with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Acceptable documentation includes brand transfers, mortgage or finance documents, and bills of sale approved by a State Brand Inspector. A Permittee with livestock exhibiting their own brand

is presumed the sole owner. **A Permittee who has been found not to be the sole owner of livestock more than two (2) times is a Habitual Permittee and must remove the livestock and their permit will be canceled.**

- c. **Assignees.** If a person allocated grazing privileges is an assignee of a tribal assignment, the grazing privileges allocation is contingent on their ability to hold a Grant of Standard Assignment in addition to meeting the requirements of these Policies and Procedures. Failure to meet these requirements will disqualify the assignee from holding the Grant of Standard Assignment.
- d. **Leasing.** Unless otherwise provided in these Policies and Procedures, Permittees may **not** lease livestock.
- e. **Kinds of Livestock.** Permits will be issued for cattle and buffalo. Buffalo restored by the Tribes, and managed in partnership of the Wind River Tribal Buffalo Initiative, are “contained wildlife” on designated fee and tribal lands acquired and prioritized respectively as habitat with assistance of the Shoshone and Arapaho Tribal Fish and Game and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- f. **Size of Permit.** The maximum livestock per Permittee, including Family Units, is three hundred-fifty (350) head. The Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils will determine the specific number for each permit. Livestock exceeding the permit limit must be pastured elsewhere.
- g. **Stocking Permit.** Unused AUMs may result in the unfilled portion being advertised, unless granted a waiver by the Eastern Shoshone and the Northern Arapaho Business Councils.
- h. **Bulls.** One (1) registered Hereford, Angus, or Limousin bull is required for every thirty (30) cows or heifers (or fraction thereof). Other breeds may be approved for specific range units with evaluation by the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils or their designated committee, and 100% agreement from Permittees. Documentation of breed will be required to be submitted to the BIA with the BIA obtaining agreement or disagreement from all other Permittees before submitting to the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils for evaluation and approval. Permits will be canceled for turning out unauthorized bulls. No bull may graze the same land for more than three (3) years. If a bull is deemed unserviceable by other Permittees, it will be evaluated by a veterinarian at the owner's expense and reviewed by the BIA.
- i. **Disease Control.** All livestock must comply with current and future disease control laws and regulations of the U.S. Government, the State of Wyoming adopted as Tribal requirements, and the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Business Councils or a designated committee. Livestock testing documentation must be submitted to the BIA annually before any livestock is released onto a range unit. Testing is required for all bulls prior to them going onto a range unit.

5. **Maintenance of Rangelands and Range Improvements.** Rangeland maintenance must follow Best Management Practices (“BMPs”) set by the BIA while balancing objectives for wildlife and habitat

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established in the Wind River Indian Reservation Agricultural Resource Management Plan (“ARMP”). The top six BMPs for tribal rangeland management are:

- a. Herding: Use herding techniques to spread livestock evenly across rangeland, encouraging grazing in underutilized areas to avoid overgrazing.
 - b. Strategic Placement of Supplements: Place salt and supplements in areas where grazing is desired, away from archeological sites, water sources, and heavily used areas. Herding should ensure livestock graze near these locations.
 - c. Water Resource Management: Regularly inventory and assess water facilities to ensure they support efficient livestock distribution across the rangeland.
 - d. Grazing Rotation: Implement rotational grazing to allow vegetation recovery and maintain range health.
 - e. Invasive Species Control: Actively manage and reduce invasive species to protect native vegetation and biodiversity.
 - f. BIA will supply permittees with grazing land management techniques based on the range unit and its conditions.
6. **Responsibilities of Permittees.** Permittees are required to repair and maintain all range unit improvements, including but not limited to: boundary and cross fences, pipelines, water control structures, wells, and watering devices. Failure to fulfill these responsibilities will result in enforcement actions including possible Permit cancellation. The obligation to repair and maintain all range unit improvements rests solely with the Permittee(s) based on their percentage of range unit use and permittee size.
- a. **BIA Fence Material Usage.** Permittees are strictly required to use materials provided by the BIA for the following purposes:
 1. Construction and maintenance of boundary fences between range units.
 2. Construction and maintenance of drift and cross fences within range units.
 3. Repair of fences on idle leases where lack of livestock control presents a public safety hazard.
 4. Cooperation with federal and state agencies on fence repairs along the Wind River Indian Reservation boundary.
 - b. **Assignee Responsibilities.** The Eastern Shoshone Business Council, the Northern Arapaho Business Council, or the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council (“WRITC”) will not supply fencing materials to assignees. Assignees are solely responsible for maintaining assignment fences as

required under their agreement. Non-compliance will result in penalties or termination of the assignment.

7. **Tribal grazing rentals.**

- a. The minimum annual grazing rental shall be **\$1.30** per AUM.

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8. **Allotted grazing rentals.** The minimum recommended annual rental shall be determined by an appraisal conducted by the Office of Appraisals.

- a. The Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes agree to charge \$1.30 per aum for their undivided interest portion of ownership in allotted lands.

9. **Bonds.** Bonds will be required on range units provided the Permittees are in compliance with all permit terms and these Policies and Procedures. An annual review will be conducted to determine if bonds may be required on range permits at the discretion of the BIA Superintendent.

10. **Compliance.** Eligibility requirements and compliance with all the provisions of these Policies and Procedures must be maintained for the period covered by the permit. The BIA will serve a Permittee written notice of non-compliance and provide ten (10) days to show cause as to why their permit(s) should not be cancelled. The Permittee and the livestock owner must be served a trespass notice for any livestock in trespass.

11. **Wildlife Habitat Management** Wildlife habitat management coincides with rangeland on the Wind River Indian Reservation and Shoshone and Arapaho Fish and Game and U.S. Fish and Wildlife will work to protect and improve wildlife and fish habitats while maintaining and developing riparian areas.