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Deidre Witsen
Special Uses Permit Administrator
Bridger-Teton National Forest
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Dear Ms. Witsen,

Following are the Wyoming Department of Agriculture's (WDA) comments pertaining to the reauthorization of livestock use on 71 acres in the Dog Creek area of the Jackson Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest.

Our comments are specific to our mission within state government: dedication to the promotion and enhancement of Wyoming's agriculture, natural resources, and quality of life. As this project impacts our agriculture industry, our natural resources, and the welfare of our citizens, we believe it is important you continue to inform us of proposed actions and decisions and continue to provide us the opportunity to express pertinent issues and concerns.

WDA is in support of the continuance of reauthorizing livestock use on National Forest Service lands adjoining private lands and utilizing the Categorical Exclusion to authorize this use.

We appreciate you accepting our comments and look forward to working closely with you as a Cooperating Agency. If you have questions, please contact Justin Williams, Senior Policy Analyst at 307-777-7067.

Sincerely,

Doug Miyamoto
Director

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CC: Governor's Policy Office
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Wyoming Stock Growers Association
Wyoming Wool Growers Association
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