

Point Reyes National Seashore

PORE-INTERIM LEASE-2202

This Interim Lease is made and entered into by and between the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Point Reyes National Seashore ("Lessor or Permitter") and David Evans ("Lessee or Permittee"). This individual has been approved by the National Park Service as the Permittee to AGRI-8530-2600-07-7001.

This Interim Lease incorporates by reference and hereby extends the rents, terms, and conditions of the attached Lease/Permit(s) AGRI-8530-2600-07-7001. By executing this Interim Lease, Lessee expressly agrees that he is bound by and will comply with the rents, terms and conditions of the attached Lease/Permit(s) as modified by this Interim Lease.

Modified Terms for AGRI-8530-2600-07-7001:

Exhibit A is revised by replacing it with the Exhibit A (dated June 24, 2022) attached to this Interim Lease and incorporated herein by reference.

The cover sheet is revised to read:

"is hereby authorized during the period from 12:00 a.m. on September 15, 2022 to 11:59 p.m. on September 14, 2024 to use the following lands or facilities in the above named area: Approximately 290 acres of the former American Telephone & Telegraph (AT&T) property (Tract 02-103) within Point Reyes National Seashore (the Premises). (See revised Exhibit A).

for the purpose (s) of seasonal grazing of beef cattle at 420 Animal Unit Months (equivalent of 35 animal units per year) ...” In order to protect special status plant species and following written authorization from the Permitter, only targeted grazing is authorized in the seven (7) acre seaward pasture (the Targeted Grazing Unit shown on Exhibit A). The Permitter shall be contacted each year to determine the grazing period for each portion of the Premises. No supplemental feeding of hay or other feeds is to take place on this allotment without written authorization from the Permitter (see Article #4).

A new Article 3(a)1 is added to the Permit to clarify that implementation of Management Activities for ranch operations are included in Appendix F of the General Management Plan Amendment:

Permittee's authorized use of the Premises is subject to Permittee's implementation of Best Management Practices (BMP's) designed to preserve the integrity of park resources. Best Management Practices (i.e., Management Activities) for typical ranch operations are found in Appendix F of the General Management Plan Amendment, dated September 2020 (GMPA).

A new Article 3(h) is added to the Permit to reflect the Biological Opinions and reporting

requirements that are now in effect:

Operations under this Permit are subject to the conditions outlined in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Biological Opinion for the General Management Plan Amendment, dated June 4, 2021, and the National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion for the General Management Plan Amendment dated March 18, 2021 and to the related reporting requirements included as sections 3(e)(1) and 3(e)(2). These documents are available upon the Permittee's request.

A new Article 3(h)(1) is added to the Permit:

For the US Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Opinion, Permittee shall report to NPS by November 1 of each year the following:

- a. individual Management Activity projects under GMPA Appendix F conducted over the past calendar year on the Premises;*
- b. pertinent information concerning the success of meeting Avoidance and Minimization Measures for Management Activities taken on the Premises;*
- c. an explanation of failure to meet such measures, if any;*
- d. any incidental take of federally listed species under this biological opinion for that given year; and*
- e. condition of all stock ponds on the Premises.*

A new Article 3(h)(2) is added to the Permit:

For the National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion, Permittee shall report to NPS by November 1 of each year the following:

- a. for fencing: the dates of monitoring and extent of repairs conducted to maintain riparian fencing identified in Exhibit A; linear feet monitored; linear feet of any occurrences of breaching or disrepair; date(s) that breaching or disrepair was discovered; and specific dates actions were taken to repair riparian fencing;*
- b. a brief description of any ranch infrastructure activities (i.e., Management Activities from GMPA Appendix F) implemented on the Premises;*
- c. a summary of vegetation management, required NRCS Conservation Practice Standards, and mitigation measures that apply to any implemented Management Activities; and*
- d. identification of any roads that have signs of persistent erosion.*

Article 4(a) is revised to read:

The Premises consists of the inland pastures and the established 7-acre targeted grazing unit in the dune area. The 7-acre targeted grazing unit contains special status plant species. To protect these species, targeted grazing of the 7-acre unit may only be conducted following written approval of the NPS. The grazing season for the inland pastures shall be established in coordination with the NPS in support of water quality and habitat protection objectives. The Permittee shall contact the NPS each year to determine the grazing period for the inland pastures. The NPS may modify grazing activities on the Premises during the term to better protect and benefit special status species. No supplemental feeding of hay or other feeds is allowed on the Premises without the written authorization of the NPS. Permittee is responsible for

maintenance of the boundary and internal resource fencing identified in Exhibit A.

Article 13(a) is amended to include a requirement that Permittee provide NPS with copies of documents submitted to the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) as applicable:

Potential sources of nonpoint source pollution associated with this Permit include soil erosion and animal waste. The Permittee shall comply with all Applicable Laws regarding nonpoint source pollution (including the protection of beneficial uses of waters as designated by the State of California). Permittee shall conduct all water quality monitoring and reporting required by the Regional Water Board and shall submit copies of those reports to NPS within 10 days of their submittal to the RWQCB. Further, Permittee's use and occupancy of the Premises shall be designed to minimize, to the greatest extent feasible, non-point source pollution within National Park Service boundaries and on adjacent lands.

Article 13(b) is revised as follows to reflect that BMPs are now referred to as Management Activities:

Permittee shall be responsible for implementing water quality related Best Management Practices identified in consultation with NPS to preserve the integrity of park resources. Water quality Best Management Practices (i.e., Management Activities) for typical ranch operations are found in the GMPA Appendix F.

Article 14(a) is amended to add the following new sentences at the end:

Permittee shall provide monthly actual stocking information by pasture and class of animal (cow, calf, bull) to the NPS by the 15th of the following month. The monthly reports will identify AU numbers by pasture and operation.

Article 15 is amended to include a **new Article 15(c)** that aligns vegetation-related Management Activities with the mitigation measures adopted in the GMPA Record of Decision:

A new Article 15(c) is added to the Permit:

Permittee shall conduct any vegetation-related Management Activities consistent with the mitigations listed in Appendix F of the GMPA and in consultation with the Park Range Manager.

Article 26(a) is revised to read:

Issuance of future leases will be in accordance with the GMPA Record of Decision, dated September 13, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Superintendent, Point Reyes National Seashore, acting on behalf of the United States, in the exercise of the delegated authority from the Secretary as Lessor, and Lessee have executed this Interim Lease by proper persons thereunto duly authorized.

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
THE INTERIOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Date September 14, 2022

Signed document on file
Craig Kenkel, Superintendent
"LESSOR or PERMITTER"

Date September 14, 2022

Signed document on file
David Evans
"LESSEE or PERMITTEE"