



Natural Resource Users Law & Policy Center

A collaboration between the
James E. Rogers College of Law and
the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

Our Work with Public Lands Livestock Grazing

The NRULPC addresses specific public lands livestock grazing policy needs, such as:

- Analysis of existing rules for grazing research/management on Forest Service lands.
- Review of federal grazing litigation for outcomes and patterns of resolution.
- Summary of U.S. Forest Service proposed changes to its NEPA process.

Examples of livestock grazing activities supporting landowner and public interaction projects with the U.S. Forest Service as well as the broader natural resource management arena include:

- Conducting analysis of Coronado National Forest Biological Opinion for the livestock grazing program; submitted to and reviewed with Forest Service personnel.
- Compiling and submitting proposed NEPA revision analysis to Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ).
- Consulting on numerous legal challenges to Federal agency records of decision regarding public lands livestock grazing.
- Preparing analysis of NEPA issues in ongoing litigation over San Pedro National Conservation Area Resource Management Plan.
- Drafting paper to help public land grazing permittees avoid litigation

Selected Papers From NRULPC Website

- *NEPA for Ranchers*. By George Ruyle, et. al., June 2020.
- *Federal Appeals Handbook – Guidance for Appealing Grazing Decisions*. By Ashley Daltrey, et. al., October 2019
- *Open Range Law in Arizona*. By George Ruyle and Jeff Eisenberg, November 2018.

Undergraduate course - *Agriculture, Environmental and Legal Issues* guest speakers:

- **Andy Groseta**, W Dart Ranch - advocacy, collaborative partnerships and the impacts of regulations compliance on the business of ranching.
- **Ian Tomlison**, Vera Earl Ranch - ranching business methods, herd genetics, certified beef marketing, and agency partnerships.
- **John Barrett**, Arizona Land and Water Trust - Conservation Easements.
- **Damian Rawoot**, The Nature Conservancy - Conservation Easements.
- **Marit Alanen**, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - ESA and Jaguar issues.
- **Paul Tilley**, DeConcini McDonald Yetwin & Lacy, P.C. - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).