

Allotment Management Plan

Chino Valley

Chino Valley Ranger District,

Prescott National Forest

USDA Forest Service

Yavapai County, Arizona

Introduction

The Chino Valley Allotment is characterized by topographic steep uplands dominated by pinyon-juniper woodlands. Dominant grass species include: blue, black, and sideoats grama, needle and thread, New Mexico feather fingergrass, and various dropseeds. Soils are primarily of limestone parent material and, although variable, soil and herbaceous conditions are generally good.

Objectives

Desired conditions for this project are derived from the general Prescott Forest Plan goals of "managing forest lands with a primary emphasis on healthy, robust environments with productive soils, clean air and water, and diverse populations of flora and fauna.

Resource goals and objectives on the Chino Valley Allotment are:

- Continue to improve/maintain soil conditions by striving to attain/maintain effective litter and vegetative basal area (vegetation ground cover).
- Continue to manage for a diverse population of flora that provides for watershed health, wildlife habitat, and forage for herbivores.

Grazing Management

A. Permitted Numbers, Season of Use, and Head Months

Allotment	Grazing System	Grazing Season	Head Months	Equivalent Cattle
Chino Valley	7 month duration continuous grazing	Winter 11/1 – 5/31	Up to 336	Up to 48