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Mr. Chris Allen
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Dear Chris:

In regards to your inquiry concerning the fences at the Banning loadout facility, the following is provided for you information.

Following final reclamation, it is recommended that all the fences be removed. This will facilitate unincumbered movement of big game over the area. However, such action should be delayed until after two growing seasons have elapsed following revegetation. The new plantings will need protection from livestock use until vegetation is established.

Chris, DOGM guidelines may be more restrictive concerning the length of time that a reclaimed area needs protection from livestock. Regardless, fences should be removed when DOGM determines that the reclamation standards have been met.

Thank you for your interest in Utah's wildlife resources.

Sincerely,

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